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PIRATES OR NOT?

SEAMAN DEFENDS MATES.

"SUNNING" PIRACY TRIAL.

Nineteen ex-members of the crew of the Chinese steamer Philadelphia, who were discharged at Shanghai, were amongst the passengers returning to Hongkong on the ill-fated Sunning when that ship was pirated. Of these, nine are amongst the eighteen Chinese now being charged with acts of piracy before Mr. R. E. Lindsell. When the hearing was resumed this morning, Tam Foon, another ex-seamen, was called upon to state whether he could say that any of the nine accused seamen were associated with these acts of piracy, and he replied in the negative.

The witness, who lives in Third Street, deposed that during the whole period of the pirates' control of the ship, up to the time when they were driven on deck by the pirates, who had set fire to the ship, the whole of his late shipmates, with the exception of one man who travelled second-class, were with him in the steerage. Except where his view was obstructed by ventilation shafts, he could see that none of them was searched or molested.

POLICE MISTAKEN.

With regard to one particular shipmate, who was now No. 7 defendant in the case, he was sitting beside witness throughout the evening of the piracy. Therefore the officers of the Sunning must have been mistaken when they stated in evidence that No. 7 defendant took part in the piracy between 4 p.m. and 10 p.m. on the day in question. Of the men in Court he could identify only No. 8 defendant, and stated that this man was armed with a short firearm.

Mr. M. K. Lo:—Could you swear that all the 19 of you from the Philadelphia were with you continuously in the steerage?—Yes.

Did you notice No. 6 (So Tik-sui)?—I didn't.

If No. 6 were to say that he was at the foot of the staircase in the front part of the steerage when his watch and chain were taken away from him, would you say you did not see him, or would you say he was lying?—I would say I did not see him.

Mr. Lindsell observed that this was a difficult question to put to a Chinese witness.

ROBBED OF WATCH.

In further cross-examination by Mr. Lo, witness said that two other shipmates, Nos. 7 and 16 defendants, were also in the steerage with him during the period of the pirates' control of the ship. Not until the following morning did they tell him that they had been robbed. No. 7 had then been tied up by the crew of the Sunning. He told witness that he managed to recover his watch.

His Worship:—Did you believe No. 7 when he said he was robbed of his watch?—I accepted his word for what it was worth.

His Worship:—Did you or did did not in fact believe him?—I believed him.

Do you still believe it now?—Yes.

HIDES IN LIFEBOAT.

In his examination-in-chief, witness also stated that at about four o'clock in the afternoon, two pirates entered the steerage, one of whom he recognised as being No. 8 defendant. After the commotion occasioned by their entry, quietness prevailed until about midnight, when, the ship being set on fire, the steerage passengers were driven on deck. He took refuge under a lifeboat, and some minutes later heard the pirates urging each other to set fire to the quarters amidships. The flames forced witness to clamber down to the saloon deck where he stayed until the following morning when he assisted in putting out the fire.

The hearing was adjourned until this afternoon.

NEW YORK SOCIETY. SENSATION.

WEALTHY WOMAN FOUND SHOT DEAD.

A TRAGIC ROMANCE

New York Dec. 20.

The fashionable Park Avenue district has been given a sensation by a tragedy involving two unrelated families of the same name Mr. R. G. Ingersoll, the famous agnostic, and Mr. R. H. Ingersoll, the watch manufacturer.

The latter's estranged wife was found shot dead in bed in her flat, clad in a dressing gown and adorned with jewels worth £7,000 and clutching a revolver, while Wallace Probasco, the sixty year old son-in-law of Mr. R. G. Ingersoll was found seriously shot, twice in the chest and once in the arm, lying near the telephone, with which he managed to telephone to his wife.

Probasco who is now in hospital, is technically charged with homicide, but he and his wife claim that Mrs. Ingersoll shot Probasco and then killed herself owing to jealousy because Probasco wanted to break off their long friendship.—*Reuter's American Service.*

SHAUKIWAN MURDER TRIAL.

PRISONER'S QUARREL WITH BROTHER.

The prosecution had not completed its evidence at the end of this morning's hearing of the case at the Criminal Sessions before Mr. Justice Wood, in which a Chinese cook is charged with the murder of a companion at the Tung On Shipbuilding Yard, Shaukiwan.

Mr. J. H. B. Nihill is conducting the case for the Crown, and Mr. T. Addis is briefed for the defence.

The principal witness was a man named Lo Kwan, who was asked, late on the night of the murder, to get prisoner some medicine. On his return, he had the impression that the prisoner was fighting with his brother, so he went to bed.

Asked why he did not interfere or find out what was happening, witness said that it was nothing to do with him.

Mr. Addis:—Did the prisoner frequently quarrel with his brother?

Witness:—Not more than brothers in general do.

In answer to further questions, witness stated that later on he noticed blood about the room and then discovered that the attack on Lai Wan had been made. He *immediately informed the master.*

The case is proceeding.

SERIOUS ALLEGATIONS.

REGARDING U.S. ALIEN PROPERTY FUNDS.

New York, Dec. 20.

The *New York World* gives prominence to a special despatch from Washington to the effect that the Comptroller General has reported to President Coolidge that Alien Property Funds have been illegally drawn from the Treasury and that the administration expenses are excessive, running into $5,000,000.—*Reuter's American Service.*

AIR SERVICE.

FROM CANTON TO WUCHANG.

In order to facilitate communication between Canton and Wuchang, the Nationalist Government has decided to organise a line of six commercial planes. Each plane will accommodate eight passengers, and will make a round trip daily starting from Canton to Wuchang, via Hangchow. The line will be opened as soon as all arrangements have been made.

RIVER CROSSED.

SHANTUNG TROOPS AT NANKING.

WAR MOVEMENTS BEGIN.

Shanghai, Dec. 21.

A message from Nanking, dated Saturday, says that Shantung troops have now crossed the river and are massed there in considerable numbers. Northern pickets are parading the streets.

The troops include 120 Russians, who are billeted in a hotel outside the city wall. It is reported that 3,000 Shantung troops have gone to Wuhu.

The general impression here is that General Chang Chung-chang's troops are replacing Marshal Sun Chuan-fang's men, and it is thought that the latter will proceed to the defence of Shanghai and Hangchow. The Chinese at Nanking appear to view General Chang's arrival with considerable apprehension

General Chang Chung-chang has been Tupan of Shantung since early 1925. He is best remembered as the Commander of the First Expeditionary Manchurian Army.

AGREEMENT REACHED.

As reported yesterday, following the arrival of General Chang Chung-chang, the tupan of Shantung, who is a subordinate of Marshal Chang Tso-lin, two meetings were held on the 18th and 19th inst., between General Chang Chung-chang and Marshal Sun Chuan-fang and other lesser lights. It is said that their discussions with regard to the suggested coalition in operations against the Southerners resulted in an agreement being reached whereby Marshal Sun is to be responsible for driving out the Southerners from Chekiang whilst General Chang will devote his forces to attack Kiangsi, now occupied by the Southerners.

It is also reported that Marshal Sun Chuan-fang will go to Shanghai to direct military movements shortly, after completing all arrangements with his ally, General Chang Chung-chang, while the latter will be stationed at Nanking from which point he will proceed with the task of attacking Kiangsi.

As to the situation in Chekiang, it is said that an agreement has been reached by Generals Chow Feng-ki, Chang Yi and Chang Chuen-kwey, all former subordinates of Marshal Sun Chuan-fang, to the effect that all Chekiang forces should concentrate between the rival armies so as to prevent a serious clash.

According to another source, the tension in Chekiang is by no means relieved, and it is said that Marshal Sun has decided to clear up the confusion by the use of force. Some 8,000 troops headed by one of Marshal Sun's subordinates are said to have been pushed forward south of Huchow, near the northern Chekiang border, whilst another general is planning to attack Hangchow. A triangular struggle for supremacy seems likely between the Kuomintang Army, the Chekiang troops who favour the independence of the province, and the troops under Marshal Sun.

FACTS AS TO HANGCHOW.

Following the resumption of telegraphic and telephonic communication between Shanghai and Hangchow on the afternoon of December 16, and the completion of repairs to the railway bridge 157 and 159, between Chienjiao and Hsutsun, the same evening, a regiment of Marshal Sun Chuan-fang's troops, consisting of 1,500 men and led by Brigadier-General Han Kwang-yu, advanced from Changan and entered Hangchow at 7 p.m. on Thursday last.

These were followed up by two further regiments, consisting of 3,000, who had reached Chienglao, outside Hangchow city, on the afternoon of December 10. It is

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BRITAIN'S POLICY IN CHINA.

WHOLE POSITION NEEDS REVIEWING.

THE SURTAX QUESTION.

Rugby, Dec. 20.

The contents of the memoradum handed by the British Chargé d'Affaires at Peking to the representatives of the Powers have not been disclosed, but it is known that the new statement constitutes another effort by the British Government to pursue a constructive policy in harmony with the spirit of the Washington Conference, but developed and adapted to meet the altered circumstances in China.

It is pointed out that the sympathetic attitude of Great Britain to Chinese aspirations for the revision of existing Treaties had become obscured owing to the absence of a Central Government in China, the existence of which was a necessary condition for carrying out the Washington programme.

In the spirit of the Washington Agreements, the British Government has now laid before the other Powers certain suggestions regarding the attitude which, in its opinion, should be adopted to the questions of the surtaxes, extra-territoriality and the revision of Treaties. While continuing rigidly to abstain from interference in civil strife, the British Government feels that the growth of national Chinese sentiment necessitates a careful review by the Powers of the whole position.

Regarding the Washington surtaxes, the British view is that the disposal of these additional revenues should be left for competent local Chinese authorities to decide. —*British Wireless.*

EUROPEAN AMAH ROBBED.

TIED TO TREE AND GAGGED.

The story of a highway robbery with violence between Deep Water Bay and Aberdeen is told in the report of an amah.

The amah, who is employed by Mr. A. Keating, the Sperintendent of the Deep Water Bay works of the Green Island Cement Company, says that she left the house at five o'clock yesterday afternoon on a visit to Aberdeen. As she was going down the hillside she was met by two strange men, one of whom suddenly caught hold of her by the neck and threw her violently to the ground. She was forced to a dried-up water course which is close by and concealed from the view of the road, and here she was tied to a tree and gagged with a pebble. She was robbed of all her personal trinkets, which she valued at $1., and also of her umbrella. The men ran away down the hillside.

Later she succeeded in freeing herself and made the above report to the Aberdeen Police Station.

FAMOUS DOCTOR DEAD.

A RESEARCH EXPERT.

Rugby, Dec. 20.

Dr. Hugh Campbell Ross the well-known research worker, has died from pneumonia while on his way home to England, and was buried at sea off Aden.

He was at one time Medical Officer of Health, in Cairo and, under Lord Cromer's administration, started a campaign for the extermination of the mosquito. For the last eighteen years he had concentrated upon cancer and since 1910 had been Director of the McFaddon Research Foundation. In the course of his investigations he visited the Pitcairn Islands where cancer is rare in order to examine the methods of life prevailing there.—*British Wireless.*

SLAVE GIRLS.

REFORM MEASURES IN FATSHAN.

NO BUYING OR SELLING.

The Bureau of Civil Administration at Fatshan has issued regulations covering the registration, treatment and privileges to be accorded slave girls now owned by families in the municipality. Further buying and selling of slave girls is prohibited.

According to these new regulations, the expression "slave girl" is to be under the ban. They are to be "adopted daughters" of the family and are no longer to be subject to the will of their masters, without recourse to law.

All adopted daughters are to be brought to the police stations and registered, according to the regulations. Their names, ages, nearest relatives and birthplaces must be entered, and two photographs placed on record.

SEVERE PUNISHMENT.

No violations of the ruling forbidding the further buying or selling of slave girls are to be permitted. Anyone found guilty of disobeying the new laws will be dealt with severely by the authorities, it is stated.

A safeguard against violation is provided by the regulation that all selling and purchasing bonds must be submitted to the Bureau for cancellation. If there are no such bonds or if they have been mislaid, declaration must be made and recorded in the register.

BETTER TREATMENT.

Special provisions are made for the treatment of these new adopted daughters. Clothing and food must be adequate. Spending money must be provided, although a precaution is taken in the inclusion of the clause that no "extra demands" should be made.

Flogging and cruel treatment are specifically prohibited. In cases of violation of this ruling, the girls can appeal to the police, and if witnesses can be produced, punishment will be inflicted on the offender in proportion to the injury to the girl.

Education is made compulsory. All adopted daughters must be sent to Labour or vocation schools, so that they will not be helpless at the time they receive their independence. This education is not, however, to be permitted to be the main occupation of the girl. It is specially stated that the adopted daughters must give assistance to their guardians.

MARRIAGE AT 20.

Provision is made for marriage of all adopted daughters. After the age of twenty, guardians are not permitted to prohibit the marriage of their adopted daughters, although they are to be allowed a directing hand in the choice of a husband. If guardians attempt to prohibit a girl from marrying, she can appeal to the authorities.

That the daughter's wishes must be consulted in the choice of a husband, and that she is not to be sold as a concubine, are points also covered in the new regulations. Half of the betrothal money is to be refunded to the guardians for money spent on education and board. The remaining half can be used as a dowry.

PROTECTION FOR GUARDIANS.

Protection is also guaranteed to the guardians by the new ruling. Severe punishment is to be imposed on anyone who attempts to pose as a relative of adopted daughters in order to extort money or to kidnap the girls.

The enforcement of these regulations will mean that the slave girl will have entirely disappeared from Fatshan within fifteen years and that the worst abuses of the slave system will be immediately abolished, says the *Canton Gazette.*

CONTROL OF CANTON LABOUR.

CHANG KAI-SHEK'S LATEST ORDERS.

UNREST ON HONAM.

It is reported from Canton that General Chang Kai-shek has forwarded a telegram to General Li Chai-sum, who is in command in Canton, that in view of the labour situation being so serious as possibly to undermine the economic situation and jeopardise the Northern expedition, the laws against labour troubles should be strictly enforced. It is further added in the telegram that all disputes should be dealt with by the Arbitration Courts.

In consequence of these instructions, it is reported that General Chien Ta-chun, the Commissioner of Public Safety, has organised a special force of detectives and armed police to keep an eye on labour movements, and that he intends to employ armoured cars in case any rowdyism occurs.

Another report states that Honam island has been placed under martial law and that armed police are now extremely active there. This is said to be due to reports of reactionary elements having caused considerable unrest of late, even going the length of posting placards on walls openly denouncing the authorities.

DEAD GUARD'S BRAVE EFFORT.

BROKE RIFLE BUTT OVER ROBBER'S HEAD.

Giving evidence in the Saikung "piracy" case, which was continued before Sir Henry Gollan at the Criminal Sessions this morning, the coxswain, in answer to Mr. H. S. Ho, who is defending, said that he saw an Indian guard run out of the wheelhouse and strike the third prisoner over the head with the butt of his rifle.

The Indian struck with sufficient force to break the end of the rifle, but the robber was not felled to the ground, and, in the course of the melee which followed, and in which the two other Indian guards joined, the guard was fatally wounded.

On seeing their companion fall, the other guards gave up the struggle and ran away.

The compradore was called to tell how a man entered his room with a revolver and demanded the keys of the safe. He declared that he did not see the man because he was told not to look at him. The robber extracted $520 from the safe.

The case is proceeding.

WINTER TRAGEDY.

ICE FLOES UPSET PASSENGER LAUNCH.

New York, Dec. 20.

The bitter weather with which New York has been contending for the past fortnight has caused an unusual accident on the Hudson River, when a large launch, carrying workmen, was capsized by ice floes, ejecting hundreds of passengers into the icy water. All available craft were rushed to the rescue, but fourteen passengers are already known to be dead.—*Reuter's American Service.*

CHINESE SUICIDE.

AFRAID OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION?

Shortly before arrival at Canton on the s.s. Suiyang, a Chinese deck passenger, who was undergoing medical examination, suddenly dashed to the side and jumped overboard.

A search was made but the man was not seen again.

The Suiyang, a Butterfield and Swire steamer, returned from Canton over last evening without cargo.

BORODIN TALKS.

NECESSITY FOR MASS DISCIPLINE.

ABOLITION OF TREATIES.

Last week, M. Borodin, adviser to the Nationalist Government, addressed a huge mass meeting at Hankow. In the course of his speech, M. Borodin stated that he had worked for the Nationalist Government for three and a half years; he had done nothing else, day and night. "I am ready to work more," he said, adding "I am ready to give my life." Below are some extracts from the lengthy speech which he delivered:

Comrades, although you have brought us to the very heart of the country, you still must remember that the revolution is only half done. A revolution half done, comrades, is not done at all, and we cannot expect from it the same benefits.

Therefore, comrades, the greatest task before us, the greatest mass of the people, is to unite and unify the country under one government—one revolutionary government.

REVOLUTION'S AIMS.

Comrades, to the great masses of the people, that is to say, the merchants, the workers, the bankers and the peasants, and to other suffering people, more pay for work, better communications, less land rent, so that trade may become improved for the benefit of the masses. That means, comrades, that the Nationalist Government has before it many difficult problems to solve.

You are a revolutionary people, and the Nationalist Government is a revolutionary government therefore, comrades, you must unite in solving the difficult problems before it.

Comrades, we have a very difficult labour problem; financial problem; the very difficult problem of securing independence; and many others. The Nationalist Government cannot solve all these difficult problems alone. It must have your support in order to solve these problems.

USE OF CAPITAL.

Citizens, the Nationalist Government has come to Wuhan not to help Chinese capital flow away to the foreign concessions in order that foreigners may be able to buy up the bonds of their own Governments. We are going to make that capital flow back from the concessions to Chinese territory. We are going to use our own capital to build our railways, our trade and our banking.

Comrades, we are not going to stand for the throwing upon the people of worthless paper money, whether manufactured in Chinese territory, or foreign territory, or in the foreign concessions. The Nationalist Government is going to establish a financial system such that the people will not have to suffer every day? and every moment they have to buy food and clothing.

Chinese merchants of Shanghai, and of every other concession, do not be afraid to come to Wuhan under the Nationalist Government, if you use your capital for constructive and legitimate purposes, and not for counter-revolutionary intrigues. The Nationalist Government will give you full protection, and you may get all the benefits to which you are entitled.

"LOOK AT KWANGTUNG."

Do not misunderstand the situation. It is but natural that when the sound of guns has hardly ceased, when we still have to pursue and destroy our enemies, that a period of unrest must ensue. It is inevitable. This, comrades, is not characteristic of the movement. Look at Kwangtung! We have made it possible for forty million people to live.

This is only a transitory period, and as soon as the government has put an end to this transitory period it is going to consolidate the financial, economic and other positions.

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CHINA POLICY.

A BRITISH CIRCULAR NOTE.

London, Dec. 20.

Referring to the meeting of the Diplomatic Corps in Peking on Saturday, the *Times* deduces that the British Government has taken the initiative in an attempt to reduce all the premises and principles of the Washington Convention to a very simple issue—the practical recognition that modern Chinese nationalism is a fact, and many of its claims are entirely legitimate.

The paper says, "It has really become quite intolerable that we should be blamed vehemently, persistently and exclusively for a state of affairs for which Britain is least of all to blame." It dwells on the hampering attitude of other nations on British policy, owing to the necessity for keeping in line with them, and rejoices that Britain's restraint and seeming passivity have been abandoned. It stresses that British policy is the most liberal hitherto proposed, and goes much the furthest, practically recognizing the legitimate demands of Chinese nationalism.

The paper also considers the most serious fact in China to-day is the permeation of the very active forces of Chinese nationalism by Bolshevist influence.—*Reuter.*

The New Policy.

Rugby, Dec. 20.

The British Charge D'Affaires in Peking has communicated to the Diplomatic Body a Note setting forth the new policy which the British Government desires to see adopted towards China. A similar communication will also be made to the representatives of the Powers in London. In the meantime the contents remain secret, although it is known that the Note contains a frank and objective examination of Chinese events, from the Washington Conference of 1922 until the present, together with conclusions regarding the immediate and future policy which the British Government regard as a logical sequence.

Commenting on this important development, the *Times*, inter alia, understands that the proposals include a suggestion that the Washington surtaxes should be granted immediately, without the paraphernalia of calculations of conditions and contingent hypotheses, with which the proceedings of the recent Tariff Conference were burdened.

"There are two elements in this declaration of policy on the part of the British Government, firstly a certain demonstration of impatience with the delays due to continual divergence of opinion among the Powers jointly responsible for the application of the principles of the Washington Convention. Secondly, the adoption of a clear attitude towards Chinese Nationalist claims."

The *Times* further recalls that the postulates of the Washington Convention were a sovereign China with modern national sentiment, and says the British attitude from the beginning was that the grant of customs surtaxes should not be burdened with restrictions or by any special foreign interests. The necessity of maintaining a united front with the other Powers has unfortunately imposed an ambiguous silence upon the British representatives. The *Times* hopes the other Powers will recognise the logic of the situation and of the British proposals.—*British Wireless.*

From Chinese Sources.

Canton, Dec. 20.

Mr. Tang Hin-tat has telegraphed to Canton from Hankow that Mr. Eugene Chen is negotiating with the various countries for the recognition of the Nationalist Government, and has obtained the sympathy of Britain, Germany, Russia, and other Powers.—*Wah Kiu Yat Po.*

IMPERIAL AIRWAYS.

TWO MACHINES LEAVE.

Rugby, Dec. 19.
Rugby, Dec. 20.

The second of the Empire air liners for the Cairo-Basra route left Croydon at 8 o'clock this morning. It arrived at Paris at 9.40 and one hour later it left for Dijon.

The first machine, which flew on Saturday from Croydon to Lyons, where owing to failing light it remained for the night, continued its journey to Marseilles yesterday, and is proceeding to Pisa to-day.—*British Wireless.*

Japan as an Object Lesson.

Paris, Dec. 20.

The *Oeuvre* considers the British Government wise in instructing Mr. Lampson to confer with the Cantonese, if only to remind the violent Nationalists of the South that Japan secured independence at the end of last century, not so much by force as perseverance.

A message from Geneva reports that the Chinese Government has notified its preparedness to pay China's arrears to the League expenses, exceeding one million dollars, with funds secured by an increase of one half per cent in the customs duties on foreign goods.—*Reuter.*

CHINESE BISHOPS.

CEREMONY INTERRUPTED BY A FRACAS.

Paris, Dec. 20.

The celebration of Mass in a church in South Paris in which the five Chinese Bishops who are touring France were officiating, was interrupted by communists and Fascists fighting.

The police were summoned, and dispersed the combatants, one being sent to hospital. The Bishops were unhurt.

A ceremony which marked a new phase in the history of missions, was later performed in Notre Dame, Cardinal Dubois receiving the five Chinese Bishops, one of whom mounted the pulpit and spoke in Chinese for the benefit of his many compatriots present. The director of the work of St. Peter for native clergy emphasised the importance of the ceremony, indicating the desire of the Church to grant native clergy more autonomy.

The Chinese Minister was present, and M. Poincare was represented.—*Reuter.*

Metaphorically Speaking.

Paris, Dec. 20.

Bishop Soun, one of the Chinese Bishops who attended the ceremonies in Notre Dame Cathedral yesterday, preached a sermon eulogising France as a garden where all the sciences and arts blossom, and recommending Chinese students in Paris to gather in like bees from these flowers all the intellectual honey.—*Havas.*

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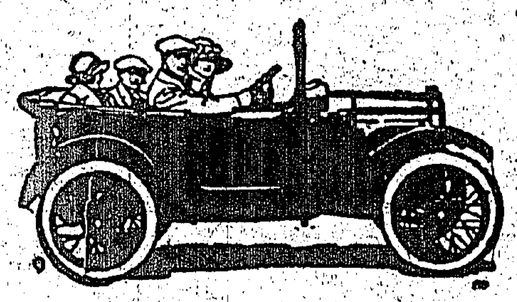

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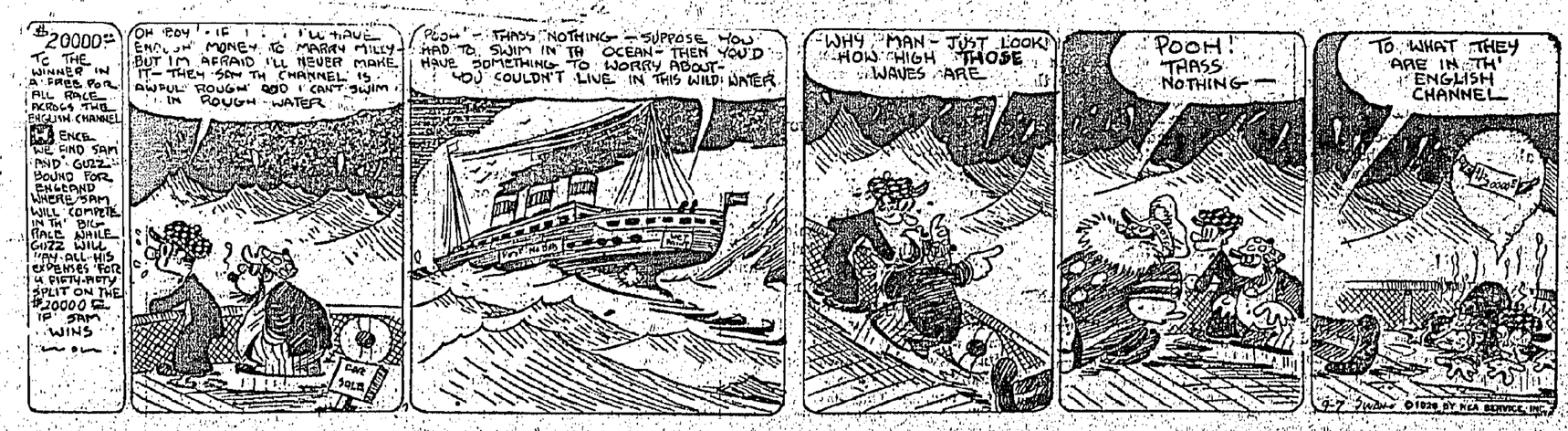

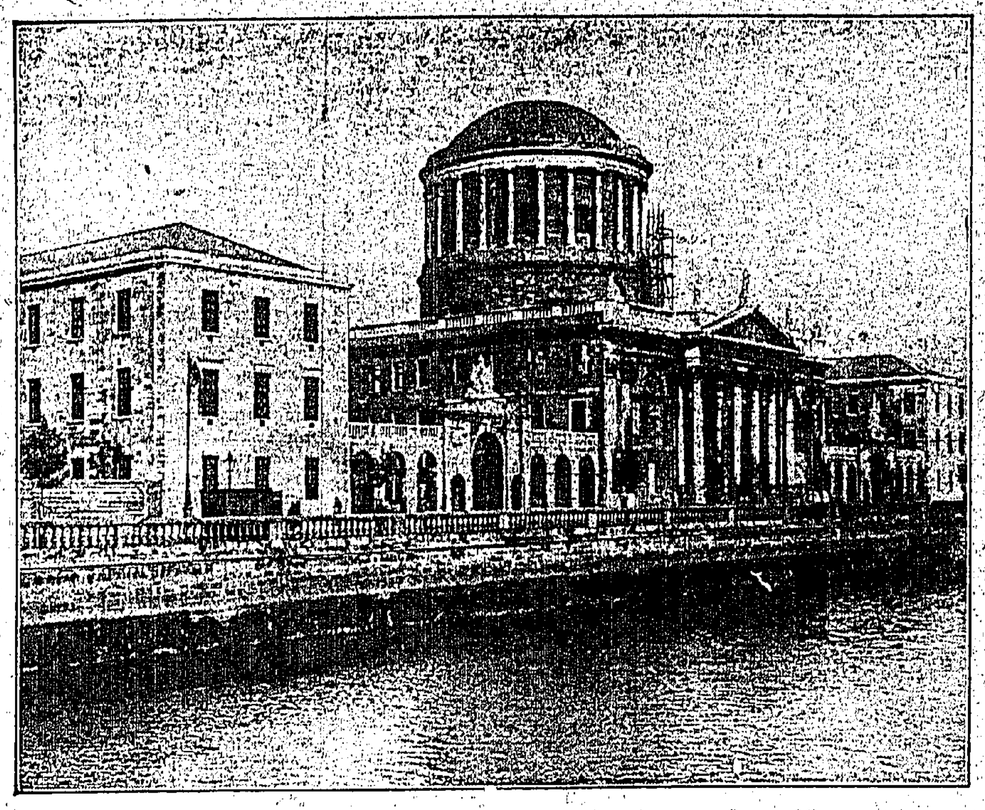

THE FOUR COURTS IN DUBLIN.—The Four Courts as they appear to-day at the present stage of re-construction. The main building was begun in 1786, the outlying courts being added afterwards. It is hoped that the Four Courts may be opened early in 1928 as the principal Law Courts in the Free State of Ireland. (*Times* copyright).

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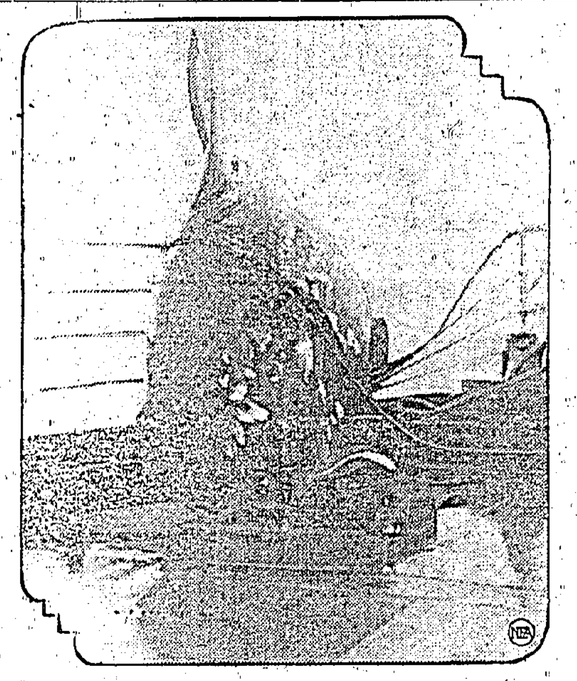
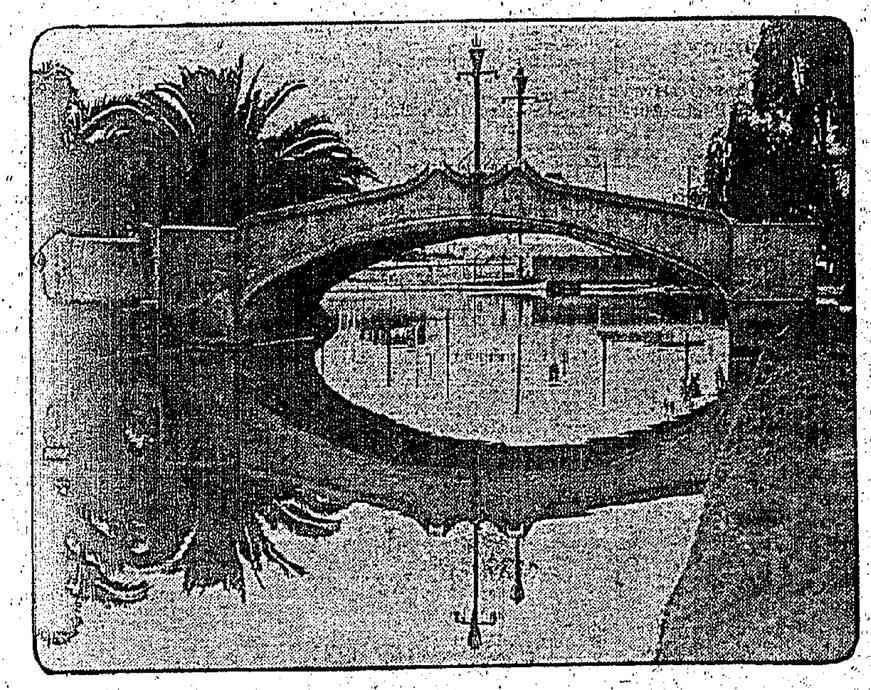


SEA MONSTER.—This unidentified ocean monster came too close to the United States liner Republic during a storm and was washed on board, smashing the ship's rail. It weighed 600 pounds. Seamen were unable to name its species though they were sure it was not of the whale family.



BEAUTY SPOT TO REMAIN?—A part of the Lion Canal, Venice, California, concerning which a great discussion is taking place as to whether it shall continue as a beauty spot or be filled in and built upon.

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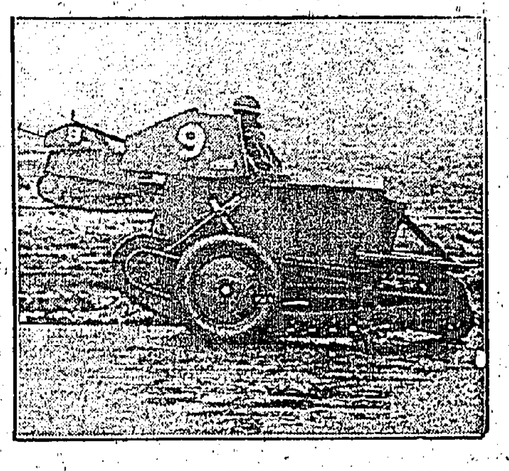

DOMINION PRIME MINISTERS' INSPECTION.—Our picture shows one of the "one-man" tanks on view during the demonstrations at Camberley, Surrey, on November 13.

PRIZE WINNERS.—"Nablous Kuwaiyas" and "Ninte-el-Nablous" are the monikers under which these dogs of Miss F. J. Mitchell carried off prize ribbons at the Ladies' Kennel Association show in London.

RETURN OF THE BEDFORDSHIRES.—After 18 years' service abroad, the Bedfordshire and Hertfordshire Regiment returned to Bedford and was welcomed by a large crowd. Our photograph shows the arrival of the Regiment in the Market Place. On the right is Alfred Gilbert's statue of John Howard, philanthropist and prison reformer. (*Times* copyright).

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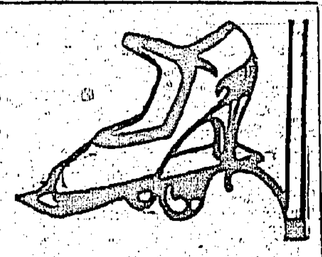

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HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

SUBSCRIPTION GRIFFINGS.

Owners are notified that their ponies may be measured at the Race Course after 5 p.m. by arrangement with the Manager of the Stables.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

OFFICIAL NOTICE.

PROPOSAL TO CHANGE A SHIP'S NAME.

I, Chow Sik Cheung of No. 48, Connaught Road West, Victoria, Hongkong, hereby give notice that in consequence of a change of ownership I have applied to the Board of Trade, under Section 47 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, in respect of the ship Fook Sing of Hongkong Official number 152089 of gross tonnage 838.84 tons, register toonage 527.52 tons, heretofore owned by Chow Wing Kan for the permission to change her name to Wing Hung and to have her registered in the new name at the Port of Hongkong as owned by the Kwong On Company Limited.

Any objections to the proposed change of name must be sent to the Registrar of Shipping at Hongkong within seven days from the appearance of this advertisement.

(sgd.) CHOW SIK CHEUNG.

Dated at Hongkong, this 17th day of December, 1926.

THE INTERNATIONAL RACE AND RECREATION CLUB OF MACAO LIMITED.

MACAO.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Inaugural Race Meeting for China ponies of this Club will take place at Macao on the **6th February, 1927, next,** if weather permits. There will be only one event at this Meeting, "The Trial Stakes."

The first annual Spring Meeting for China ponies is scheduled to take place on the 16th, 17th, 18th and 24th April, 1927. The Champion Sweepstake will be run on the 18th April, the 3rd. day of the Meeting."

By Order,

S. W. CHENG,
Secretary.

HONGKONG BOXING ASSOCIATION.

THIRD TOURNAMENT OF THE SEASON.

Tuesday, 21st December,

at 9.15 p.m.

at the

Theatre Royal.

MAIN EVENTS.

15 Round Contest for the Middleweight Championship of the Colony.

A. B. Ewin, H.M.S. "Hermes."
v.
Stoker Taff Howard,
H.M.S. "Hawkins."

also

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v.
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(for account of the concerned.)

A Large Quantity of Miscellaneous Goods—more or less damaged,

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5 Cases Medicine.
11 Cases Piece Goods.
5 Bales Nankeen.
6 Bales Cotton Yarn.
8 Bales Dried Lily Flower.

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at their Sales Room, Duddell Street.

2 Bags Salt Fish.
1 Case Pocket Knives.
2 Cases Clocks.
8 Hurricane Lanterns.
5 Kerosene Stoves.
5 Spittoons.
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Correspondence for Canton will be forwarded by train if so superscribed. Such correspondence must be posted not later than 7.30 a.m. at the General Post Office or 7.40 a.m. at Kowloon Post Office for despatch by the Express Train scheduled to leave Kowloon Railway Station at 8.05 a.m. and to arrive at Canton at 12.20 p.m.

Dutiable articles forwarded by letter post to Great Britain are liable to confiscation by the Customs. Such articles should be forwarded by parcel post only.

INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Due.
Shanghai	General Metzinger	December 21.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and S'hai	Pres. Jefferson	December 21.
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia	Nellore	December 21.
Japan	Tango Maru	December 22.
Shanghai	Szechuen	December 22.
Europe via Negapatam (papers, only London, 18th Nov.)	Vogtland	December 22.
Saigon	Angers	December 22.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and S'hai	Pres. Lincoln	December 23.
Canada, U.S.A., Japan, Shanghai and London via Canada (London 19th November.)	Empress of Canada	December 23.
Straits	Namsang	December 24.
Straits	Teiresias	December 24.
Europe via Suez (letters and papers London 25th Nov. and parcels 18th Nov.)	Kalyan	December 25.
Manila	Empress of Canada	December 30.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date.
Swatow	Leesang	Tues., Dec. 21, 5 p.m.
Amoy	Suiyang	Tues., Dec. 21, 5 p.m.
Japan	Cheribon Maru	Tues., Dec. 21, 5 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa	Mexico Maru	Wed., Dec. 22, 10.30 a.m.
Manila	Pres Jefferson	Wed., Dec. 22, 3.30 p.m.
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island	Tango Maru	Wed., Dec. 22. Registration 23rd, 8.45 a.m. Letters 23rd, 9.30 a.m. (Due Thursday Island Jan. 3, 1927).
Amoy	Tjisalak	Wed., Dec. 22, 1.30 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan and Europe via Siberia (letters and postcards specially superscribed "via Siberia" only)	Angers	Wed., Dec. 22, 1.30 p.m.
Bangkok	Kwangtung	Wed., Dec. 22, 2.30 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa	Nellore	Thurs., Dec. 23, 10.30 a.m.
Straits	Van Cloon	Thurs., Dec. 23, 2.30 p.m.
Japan	Namsang	Thurs., Dec. 23, 5 p.m.
Java via Sourabaia	Tjikini	Fri., Dec. 24, 10.30 a.m.
Sandakan	Matsang	Fri., Dec. 24, 12.30 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haihong	Fri., Dec. 24, noon.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles. Ship sails on Xmas Day, the 25th inst, at Noon.	Khiva	Fri., Dec. 24. Parcels 3 p.m. Registration 5 p.m. Letters 5 p.m. (Due Marseilles, 22nd Jan., 1927).
Shanghai	Szechuen	Fri., Dec. 24, 5 p.m.
Swatow	Kwaisang	Sat., Dec. 25, 9 a.m.
Weihaiwei	Huichow	Sat., Dec. 25, 9 a.m.
Manila	Empress of Canada	Sat., Dec. 25, 9 a.m.
Amoy	Nam Sang	Sat., Dec. 25, 9 a.m.
*Swatow and Bangkok	Kiangsu	Sun., Dec. 26, 8.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and ormosa	Knijo Maru	Sun., Dec. 26, 9 a.m.
Amoy	Shantung	Mon., Dec. 27, 9 a.m.
Straits and Calcutta	Laisang	Tues., Dec. 28. Parcels noon. Letters 1 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Autolycus	Tues., Dec. 28, Registration 1.45 p.m. Letters 2.30 p.m. (Due Marseilles 26th Jan., 1927).
Swatow	Yatshing	Tues., Dec. 28, 5 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C.&S., America, & *Europe via Victoria B.C.—due Vic. Jan. 18, 1927. & *Europe via Siberia, (letters and Post Cards specially superscribed via "Sib. only").	Pres. Jefferson	Thurs., Dec. 30, Parcels Noon Registration 2.45 p.m. Letters 3.30 p.m.

Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.

NEITHER ART NOR HISTORY

PROTEST AGAINST PROJECTED NAVAL WAR FILM.

A proposal to construct a film showing the Coronel and the Falkland Islands sea fights has roused a protest from, among others, Lieutenant Colonel Cradock, the brother of the Admiral who perished at Coronel. Briefly, Colonel Cradock doubts whether any purpose, patriotic or other, can be served by reconstructing these fights that is not outweighed by the pain the film will cause to the relatives of those who perished. He reminds us that in the one case British and in the other German ships were battered to death without hope of escape, and that there was uncommonly little "glory" about either affair. He might fairly have made the scope of his criticism even wider. Apart from the pain that any realistic portrayal of the bombardments would cause to this generation, is there any ultimate worthy purpose to be gained from filming such a subject for public exhibition? The strategy and historical importance of these two naval exterminations can be better learnt from text and diagram than from film, and of artistic value they can have little or none. It is probable, indeed, that if we had an accurate kinematic record of the most glorious incidents in British naval history—of, say, the actual 'tweendecks aspect of the Revenge in her fight with the 58 or of the cockpit of the Victory at Trafalgar—the sight would be too horrible to be tolerated outside a naval museum. To the poet, to the artist, and to the historian with imagination the handing on of this part of our inheritance had best be left. If a medium so faithful as the film deals truthfully with it the result will scarcely bear witnessing. Yet if it does not its claim to be for our instruction rests on no better foundation than its pretension to value as art.

RELATIVES' MEDALS.

THE QUESTION OF WEARING THEM.

Attention having been called to the fact that relatives of deceased soldiers, sailors, and airmen were requested to wear the decorations of their lost relatives on Armistice Day in previous years, and that an opposite policy seems to have been adopted this year, a Press representative made enquiries, and was assured that the Home Office has simply refrained from repeating the request this year, exactly as it has refrained from another request made in previous years as to the wearing of service dress.

It is officially pointed out that the wearing of these decorations is not forbidden this year; the Home Secretary has simply refrained from requesting it. On the broad question of wearing other people's decorations, Section 156A of the Army Act, makes it a punishable offence, but there would certainly be no disposition to enforce that Act on an occasion like Armistice Day. The fact that the special request of the Government has overridden the regulation in past years obviously does not mean that the practice should be continued in perpetuity. In the opinion of the Government, the time has arrived for dropping the annual request, and there is no likelihood that it will be repeated.

HOME FOOTBALL.

RESULTS AND LEAGUE TABLES.

Division 1.

Burnley	21	11	5	5	52	35	27
Sunderland	22	11	5	6	48	32	27
Newcastle	20	10	5	5	49	31	25
Huddersf'ld.	20	7	11	2	38	30	25
Bolton	19	9	5	5	40	25	23
Tottenham	20	9	5	6	49	37	23
Leicester	20	8	6	6	47	42	22
Wednesday	21	8	6	7	38	43	22
Birmingham	20	9	3	8	26	30	21
West Ham	19	8	4	7	34	28	20
Leeds Un.	20	8	4	8	42	38	20
Arsenal	20	6	8	6	37	40	20
Sheffield Un.	20	7	6	7	37	44	20
Manch. Un.	19	7	5	7	27	36	19
Liverpool	19	8	2	9	30	28	18
Aston Villa	20	7	4	9	36	42	18
Bury	21	5	8	8	36	43	18
Blackburn	20	7	4	9	35	51	18
Cardiff. C.	20	6	4	10	26	33	16
Derby C.	19	7	1	11	36	35	15
Everton	22	4	6	12	33	51	14
WestBromA.	20	4	3	13	29	48	11

Division II.

Hull	20	13	3	4	32	13	29
Swansea	20	10	7	3	37	27	27
Middlesbro	19	12	2		57	33	26
Portsmouth	20	11	4	5	38	26	26
Notts For.	20	10	6	4	40	30	26
Manch City.	20	11	3	6	48	30	25
Preston	19	10	5	4	38	31	25
South'pton	20	9	6	5	38	33	24
Oldham	20	9	4	7	29	28	22
Chelsea	20	8	6	6	31	32	22
Port Vale	21	6	8	7	39	41	20
Fulham	20	7	5	8	30	39	19
Blackpool	20	7	4	9	40	38	18
Sth. Shields	18	7	3	8	37	28	17
Reading	19	5	5	9	29	34	15
Darlington	21	6	3	12	36	44	15
Notts County	19	7	1	11	35	48	15
Grimsby	18	4	6	8	24	31	14
Clapton	19	5	4	10	28	45	14
Wolves	20	3	6	11	30	37	12
Barnsley	18	4	3	11	23	53	11
Bradford C.	21	2	6	13	21	39	10

Division III *(South).*

Swindon	18	12	4	2	53	31	28
Brighton	17	12	3	2	43	19	27
Bristol C.	18	10	5	3	44	25	25
Millwall	20	10	5	5	40	26	25
Newport	19	10	3	6	23	28	23
Plymouth	19	8	6	5	36	30	22
Luton	17	8	5	4	29	25	21
Exeter	17	8	4	5	39	25	20
Brentford	17	8	4	5	40	28	20
Southend	18	9	2	7	38	29	20
Crystal Pal.	17	7	5	5	32	27	19
Merthyr	18	7	3	8	27	28	17
Watford	18	8	1	9	24	29	17
Norwich	19	6	5	8	34	42	17
Bournem'th.	17	5	5	7	29	33	15
Gillingham	18	5	3	10	24	31	13
Bristol Rov.	18	4	5	9	21	32	13
Q. P. R.	19	5	3	11	32	45	13
Charlton	16	4	3	9	19	29	11
Northants	19	4	3	12	28	44	11
Coventry	18	5	1	12	24	47	11
Aberdare	19	3	2	14	21	47	8

Division III *(North).*

Stoke	19	13	4	2	50	14	30
Rochdale	19	11	4	4	45	29	26
Nelson	17	11	3	3	50	25	25
Bradford	19	10	4	5	36	24	24
Stockport	17	10	3	4	35	21	23
Chesterfield	18	10	3	5	46	32	23
N. Brighton	19	8	7	4	39	26	23
Halifax	17	8	6	3	29	21	22
Rotherham	19	7	5	7	35	38	19
Tranmere	18	7	3	8	29	27	17
Durham	19	7	3	9	23	24	17
Walsall	18	5	7	6	27	36	17
Wrexham	19	6	4	9	27	30	16
Southport	18	6	4	8	33	38	16
Ashington	18	5	6	7	26	44	16
Lincoln	19	3	9	7	34	35	15
Doncaster	17	5	5	7	24	33	15
Crewe	18	5	4	9	29	36	14
Hartlepools	19	6	2	11	29	36	14
Accrington	19	4	3	12	26	35	11
Wigan	19	4	3	12	24	44	11
Barrow	17	1	6	10	13	43	8

Scottish League.

Motherwell	19	12	3	4	42	23	27
Celtic	17	11	4	2	51	19	26
Rangers	18	11	4	3	48	23	26
Aberdeen	20	10	5	5	48	36	25
Dundee	18	9	5	4	45	23	23
Partick	19	9	4	6	52	23	22
St. Mirren	19	10	2	7	46	32	22
Airdrie	19	9	4	6	45	35	22
Falkirk	19	8	5	6	42	27	21
C'denbeath	19	9	2	8	35	35	20
St.Johnstone	19	8	4	7	30	30	20
Hibernians	19	8	3	8	31	39	19
Hearts	19	7	4	8	36	39	18
Hamilton	19	5	5	9	30	47	15
Queen'sPark	18	6	2	10	26	45	14
Morton	19	6	2	11	25	58	14
Clyde	19	4	4	11	30	43	12
Kilmarnock	20	4	4	12	19	39	12
Dundee Un.	19	3	5	11	27	50	11
Dunfermline	20	4	1	15	16	49	9

The Lisbon Diario do Governo publishes the text of the agreements concluded by the Union of South Africa and Portugal, fixing the boundary between South-West Africa and Angola, and regulating the use of the water of the Kunene River for generating power and for irrigation. Next spring a mixed commission will visit the district and settle certain minor details.

PYTHON IN SHIP'S HOLD.

EXCITING SEARCH IN CALCUTTA DOCKS.

Snakes have provided Calcutta with thrills during the past few days, says the *Pioneer's* own correspondent. A karait, nearly five feet long, was killed on the back steps of the Dalhousie Institute. It was seen the previous night in a store room, apparently searching for a rat. Reappearing the following evening, it was killed by servants.

On October 4 there was great excitement along the riverside when coolies engaged in removing cargo from the hold of the steamer Crewe Hall, were at a loss to account for a bulging coil to which there appeared to be neither head nor tail! Some of the less timid among them plucked up sufficient courage to investigate. The coil began to twist in a most animated manner, giving evidence of tremendous strength. The coolies completely lost their nerve and ran on deck shouting "Samp, samp."

The whole ship was thrilled and the officers considered the problem of ridding the hold of such a dangerous occupant. No one relished the task of attempting to secure the reptile alive, and eventually the help of the police was sought. Meantime the python, as if sensing danger, sought safety elsewhere, and the police officers and others had an unenviable experience in searching for the sinuous monster which was eventually found coiled behind some cargo, where it was shot. It measured 16 feet in length and 18 inches in circumference.

The presence of the python on the ship was explained by the fact that it formed part of a consignment of East African fauna, consisting of tigers, leopards, monkeys, birds and a miscelleneous collection of snakes, which were brought by the steamer from Dar es Salaam to Colombo, where they were transhipped for an American destination. Apparently the python had managed to escape during the journey between Dar es Salaam and Colombo, and was not missed when transhipment took place.

MEN IN GAY ATTIRE.

TAILORS' CHIEF PRAISES THE COLOUR CRAZE.

Colour in men's wear is not a sign of effeminacy. So said Mr. James Weddell, of Manchester, the new president of the National Federation of Merchant Tailors, at the annual meeting in London recently.

And he proved his argument by a reference to the Elizabethan period, when "our great captains who built up the Empire were attired in ribbons, velvets and silks of every colour in the rainbow.

May not the dullness and deadly respectability of men's wear in recent generations have typified the decay of the spirit of manly advanture? asked Mr. Weddell.

He was speaking in defence of the young man of to-day and his fondness for gay colours in his clothes.

Cult of Slimness.

It was, he said, becoming more apparent that the young men of to-day were paying more attention to style. There was a pronounced feeling for the longer jacket, and the cult of slimness was being courted.

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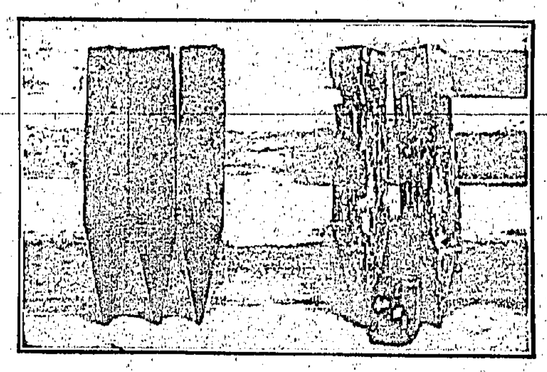

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TRAFFIC CASES.

MANY AT KOWLOON.

Describing the procedure of a prosecutor as being unsatisfactory, Mr. T. W. Ainsworth adjourned a summons taken out against Lieut. Sloane Stanley, by Lieut.-Col. R. R. Lewis, for one week for the attendance of the two parties who were both absent when the case was called at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon, the complainant sending a letter to the Court stating that he desired to withdraw the summons.

Lieut. Stanley, of the Royal Artillery, was charged at the instigation of Lieut. Col. Lewis, with driving a motor car at the junction of Salisbury and Nathan Roads, to the danger of the public.

Sub Inspector Nicol informed the Magistrate yesterday that he had received a letter from Lieut. Col. Lewis stating that the latter desired to withdraw.

Lieut.-Col. Lewis had complained to the Police of the dangerous driving of a certain motor car stating that the vehicle was travelling at about 50 miles per hour in Salisbury Road. In his complaint to the Police he had said that he was willing to prosecute.

It was possible that when the Colonel discovered who the driver was he wished to withdraw. Sub-Inspector Nicol said that with the permission of the Court he would accordingly withdraw the summons.

His Worship: That is not very satisfactory.

The case was adjourned till next Monday for the attendance of both parties.

Doctor As Complainant.

Dr. I. Newton, Medical Officer of the Kowloon Mortuary, brought a charge of dangerous driving against Mr. Tinson, of the China Light and Power.

The defendant said that he had no recollection of the incident.

In evidence, Dr. Newton said that he was returning from the Kowloon Football Club ground along Chatham Road in company with Major Lynch, on the afternoon of December 4.

Witness heard the hoot of a motor car and on turning round saw an Austin Seven about thirty yards away. Being about two yards from the side of the road, and there being no other traffic on the road at the time, witness took no further notice of the warning.

The car on overtaking the pedestrians passed within a foot of witness, causing him to jump back. The car then turned into a side street and stopped. Together with Major Lynch, witness went to the car to find the driver, but he had left the vehicle. A report was then made to the Police.

Major J. P. Lynch gave corroborative evidence, and on the defendant" saying that he had nothing to say his Worship imposed a fine of $5.

Army Officer Fined.

Capt. E. W. Morris appeared before the Court on a charge of permtting his motor car to be driven by an unlicensed driver.

The defendant pleaded not guilty.

Sub Inspector Nicol said that he saw the defendant's Indian chauffeur driving the car and on being asked for his license the driver produced his learner's licence which had expired on October 30.

Capt. Morris said that he did not know the driver's licence had expired, nor did he know that the Indian was driving the car at the time.

When asked what the conditions were of a learner's licence, Sub Inspector Nicol said that it was stated on the licence that learners had to be accompaned by a licensed driver.

Capt. Morris said that he was not aware of that and said he would plead guilty to neglect.

His worship imposed a nominal fine of $1.

Petty Officer Charged.

The driver of Capt. Morris' car was then fined $10 for driving without a licence, the defendant producing a learner's license which had expired on October 30 and which he had renewed four days after the date of the offence.

A charge of driving a motor car without an appropriate licence was also brought against Chief Petty Officer Jones of H. M. S. Titania, who appeared together with Mr. Paradice, the latter being charged with allowing his cycle to be driven by an unlicensed driver.

Mr. Paradice said that he had only known C. P. O. Jones for three weeks and did not know that he was not in possession of a licence, as he was an instructor of mechanics and took classes. Mr. Jones had kindly offered to decarbonise the cycle and was taking it to the owner's house when arrested.

Mr. Jones was fined $10 and Mr. Paradice $8.

WOLVES IN EAST PRUSSIA.

INVASION FROM RUSSIA.

Berlin.—Wolves are over running the German province of East Prussia in such numbers that for the first time for a hundred years a reward of 500 marks, equivalent to £25, is offered by the Sheriff for every wolf shot. Five villages and farms have been attacked in one spot, and a number of sheep and cattle torn and maimed.

Last winter the remains of a deer, discovered in the woodlands, led to the belief that wolves were in the neighbourhood, but Germany has so long been free from them that at first the suspicions could not always find credence. The present state of affairs is said to be due to conditions in Soviet Russia, where wolves have enormously increased in number, and the official wolf hunts are too badly organised to have had much success.

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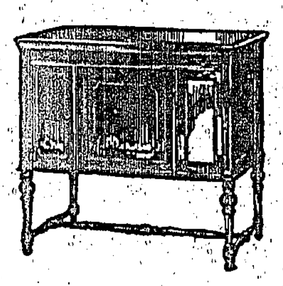

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BANDIT SUPPRESSION.

HONGKONG'S EARNEST EFFORT TO HELP.

The Hongkong newspapers have recently reported the capture by the Police of that port of a Chinese junk carrying arms and ammunition concealed under its other cargo, says Politico in the *Canton Gazette*. The junk was seized, the arms and ammunition confiscated and the junkmen arrested, sentenced and fined. The offence was unquestionable, and the penalty severe.

This is evidence that the Hongkong authorities are making an earnest effort to help in the suppression of banditry, and the extermination of the bandits in their territory.

There is help also being given in other ways. The search of Chinese passengers coming or leaving Hongkong is an appreciated measure. Even those who complain of the rudeness of the inspectors or agents at the wharfs where Chinese passengers embark or disembark do not contest the enforcement of this measure.

There is no doubt that this search will be maintained as long as it seems advisable. Passengers will be disgruntled but reasonable enough to submit.

There is a general hope that better results will soon be reported from the search and other measures. As a matter of fact, there seems to be little doubt that arms and ammunition are passing through Hongkong and that pirates are booking passage at the shipping offices.

Similar facts are recorded in Chinese coastal ports. Everywhere the police seem to be powerless to prevent the presence of pirates or organizations of pirates within the limits of territory under the supervision. Pirates, after all, look quite like other men when they are not engaged in the act of robbing or killing, and there are even stories of banquets being offered by the police to pirates masquerading as rich merchants or landlords.

We already have explained that piracy is not a Chinese specialty. Whoever these pirates are and wherever they are, they must be discovered and exterminated. All governments who are taking measures to help in this extermination deserve praise and support. The Nationalist Government should be aided in its campaign to clear the land zone around Bias Bay, and the Hongkong Government should be aided in its efforts to arrest those pirates who cross the boundary into the New Territories, with the expectation of finding refuge and shelter under another flag.

SUNNING PIRACY.

ONE MAN DISCHARGED.

When the Sunning case was resumed at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon Mr. Lo intimated that he had now been instructed to defend the eighth defendant. He also asked whether the Crown Solicitor would make any statement with regard to the withdrawal against certain defendants.

Mr. Holmes said that the only evidence he had against No. 17 was the statement made by Capt. Pringle who said the man might have been the one smoking opium in a cabin.

Mr. Lo then submitted that there was no case for No. 17 to answer.

Mr. Lindsell (to the Crown Solicitor) I think you must agree with that. I don't think that statement constitutes anything like a prima facie case. The seventeenth defendant is discharged.

Compradore's Story.

The Sunning's comprad lore gave evidence yesterday and said he was in his cabin when he heard sounds of fighting. As he went out with the intention of quelling the trouble he saw four or five armed men. He closed the door of his cabin, ran down the alleyway and hid himself in the crew's quarters in the fo'castle. There he blackened his face and changed his clothes, and remained there up to the time the ship was set on fire.

He saw several armed men about, but could not recognise any of them. Later, when he went to his cabin, he found the safe had been rifled of its contents, over $3,000 being stolen.

The second compradore said he also sought refuge in the fo'castle when the attack was made. There, he was asked by one of the pirates if there was any silver as cargo. His foki replied that there was not and the man then asked how many safes there were in the ship. Witness went along to the compradore's cabin and found the safe had been rifled.

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After blessing the union, the Pope celebrated Mass and administered the Holy Communion to the couple, after which he delivered a short address, emphasizing the sanctity of the marriage vow, and warning his hearers against the temptations of the world and its dangers, especially immodesty in dressing.—*Reuter.*

Defendant Collapses.

The third compradore said the first defendant demanded the cargo register, and looking through the entries asked if there was any silver on board. No. 2 asked for the keys of the strong room, while the third defendant at one time searched witness's cabin but did not remove anything. Witness added that he saw the fourth defendant counting money on the deck and at one time of the night No. 1 was with him. He also recognised the fifth defendant as a man carrying a gun.

Witness further stated that there was between $6,000 and $7,000 in the accountant's cabin and that money was also stolen.

During the hearing the tenth defendant collapsed in a slight fit and was removed from Court by police officers. He was brought back again a few minutes later.

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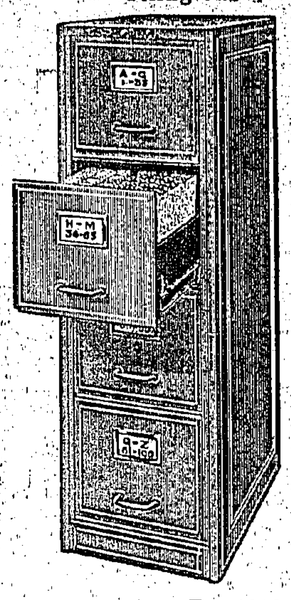

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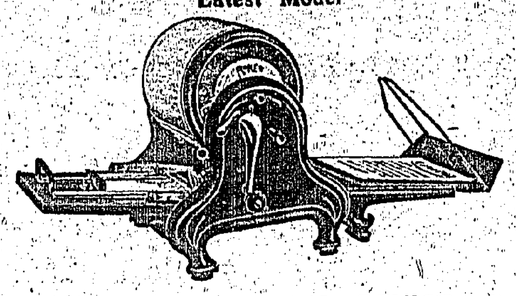

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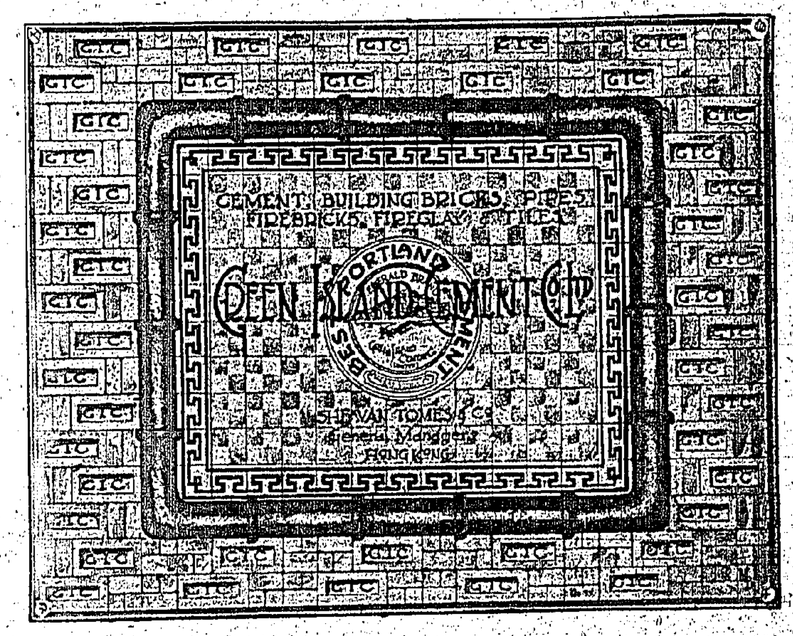

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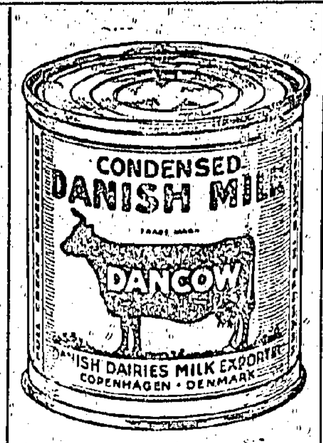

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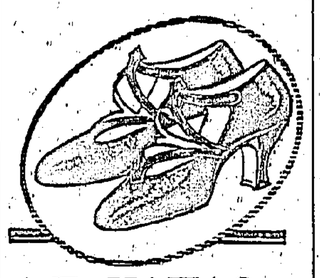

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CORRESPONDENCE.

MORE AMUSEMENT.

[To the Editor of the *Hongkong Telegraph*.]

Sir,—Having read a letter in your issue of the 8th inst. from a correspondent dealing with Cafe licences, it struck me that there is very little to be had, in Hongkong and Singapore, in the way of evening entertainment for visitors and seafarers.

One may attend the "pictures" once; the other evenings one has to wander around like a lost sheep, or sit in a bar and drink, etc. If one should dress and go to a hotel dance, there are no dances to be had. In fact at Singapore, at the Raffles Hotel, because we saw two ladies sitting out, and asked for a dance, we were informed by one of the staff that it was not allowed, and that if we did it again the police would be sent for. We were greatly amazed, but after telling the man that we would conform to their rule, we ventured to remark that in civilised places such as Europe, America, Australia, etc., gentlemen were expected to ask ladies to dance, if they had no partner.

The powers that have the granting of licences no doubt think when they go to church on Sunday they have done their duty. They seem to forget that they have their Clubs and that they can take their lady friends to a dance at a hotel. Picture houses and other places are offered to the visitor, but a Cabaret where one could dance and have wholesome refreshment, is "Verboten."

In Manila, which the Americans call the Pearl of the Orient, but which title belongs to Hongkong, they do things much better, and visitors, etc., may spend a pleasant evening at "Santa Anna," a large Cabaret where dancing is the principal amusement. There you will find business men, visitors, seafaring officers and later, after the theatre is out, some parties of Americans and Britishers of both sexes having a dance previous to going home. Dance partners are provided and the young Filipino women who act as such receive 20 cents for each dance. Even the lower deck men are catered for, the advertisements in the local papers reading:—"Spend a Pleasant Evening at Lerma Cabaret, the Home of the Gobs." This last word is the nickname of the men of the U. S. Navy. On a recent visit to Manila, we did not go inside the place, but from our taxi we could see dozens of men enjoying a fox-trot. There are no restrictions, except one, and that is every person must behave themselves in a proper manner or else be liable to expulsion.

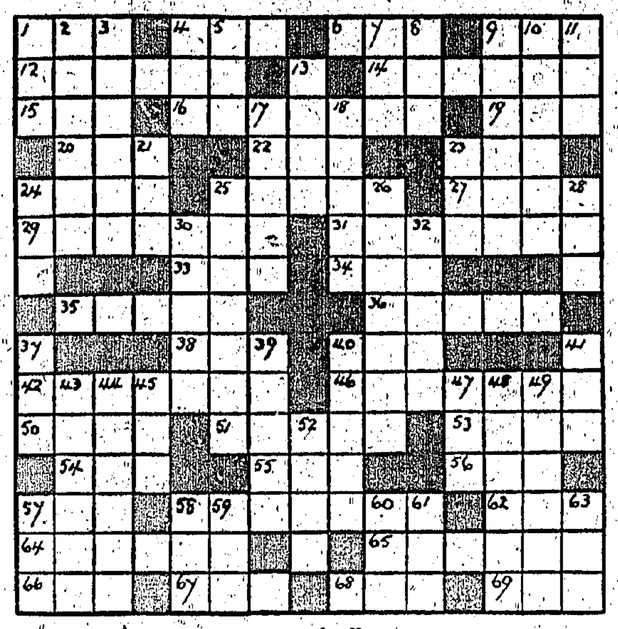
Shanghai has the same kind of recreation, and after a night's enjoyment, men hurry back to their ship or diggings tired and happy.

One might ask:—Where are you folk in Hongkong going to obtain dance partners? There are plenty in England who would gladly take up a position of that kind, but this might make the dancing cost more, but it would be more select. In any case, like Manila, many young women serve in shops, offices, etc., so why not let them earn a living as dance partners? They would make a lot more money according to their ability as dancers, and even if they could not dance at first, most of the men who are good dancers could easily get their partners fairly proficient in a couple of dances.

We in England are used to go to our Cafes or Dance Palaces for an evening's pleasure and we miss that form of recreation in our own British Colonies. Why? And why are houses of ill-fame allowed? If they must exist, why not 10 miles out of town instead of being near at hand where men who are at a loose end can easily drag their companions, because there is no other place to go?

No, Sir, give us clean amusements. Men do not come ashore or out of their bachelor quarters to sit in an institution and read the paper or play draughts. They can do that just as comfortably on board ship or at home. True, the Navy men give a dance occasionally and there are dances once a week at the Seamen's Institute. This shows how popular this form of entertainment is, but the men of the Merchant Marine only have a chance to go if their ship is in port on a given night, and a ship might come and go from Hongkong a half a dozen times and not be in port on a dance night. Again, if one Navy ship gave a dance all the rest of the ships are to some extent out of it.

OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE.



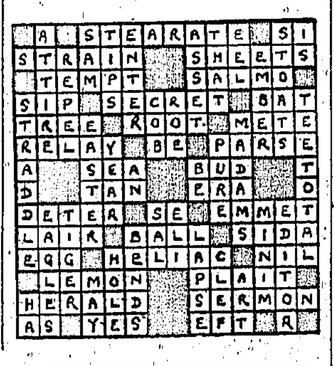
Across.

1. Sphere.
4. Ever.
6. Not on.
9. Number.
12. Husbandman.
14. Extracted from the ashes of seaweed.
15. Knot.
16. Tell.
19. Rodent.
20. Perceived.
22. Essential to rowing.
23. Flap.
24. Dole.
25. Small candle.
27. Lazy.
29. Sticks to.
31. Military provision shop.
33. Emmet.
34. Bustle.
35. Prefixed to staffs in music.
36. Relating to Ionia.
38. Noise of a clock.
40. Stocking (French).
42. Sun-shade.
46. Burdensome.
50. Ex-ruler of Russia.
51. After Sunset.
53. Water vessels.
54. Part of a play.
55. Born.
56. Deface.
57. Species of deer.
58. Person of rank.
62. Fruit.
64. Branch railway.
65. Cut in small pieces.
66. Do tatting work.
67. Fresh.
68. Wager.
69. Organ of vision.

Down.

1. Often.
2. Elevated.
3. Exhalation.
4. Even.
5. Age.
7. Suitable.
8. Enemy.
9. Harangue.
10. Make possible for.
11. Free from all deductions.
13. Snare.
17. Cook on a spit.
18. Genus of palms.
21. Small.
23. Bird.
24. Plan.
25. Tightness.
26. Shining.
28. Termination.
30. Floating structures.
32. Running knot.
37. Liable.
39. Hang on.
40. Black tea.
41. Donkey.
43. Flower.
44. Used in tennis.
45. Skill.
47. Spirit.
48. Colour.
49. Turbulent.
52. Gentleman (Abb.)
57. Newt.
58. Human beings.
59. Exist.
60. Definite article.
61. Consume.
63. Starting point in golf.

Yesterday's Puzzle.



THE ADVANCE OF SCIENCE.

BRITISH PROCESS OF X-RAY MOTION PICTURES.

Rugby, Dec. 20.

The radiologist of University College, London, working in conjunction with two cinematograph experts, has discovered a method of taking X-ray cinematograph films of the human body. The problem of producing sufficiently strong illumination for moving pictures without injuring the skin of the subject has, it is stated, been overcome.—*British Wireless.*

On our return to Hongkong, having visited the movies on our last visit, we will be content to remain on board and read the paper rather than wander about a stranger in a strange British land where no one knows us.—Yours, etc.,

HAMMERSMITH.

Shanghai, Dec. 13th, 1926.

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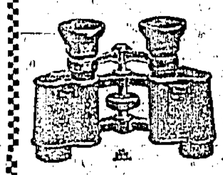

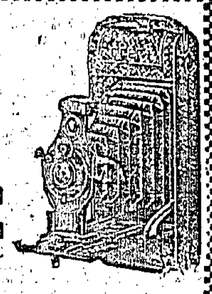

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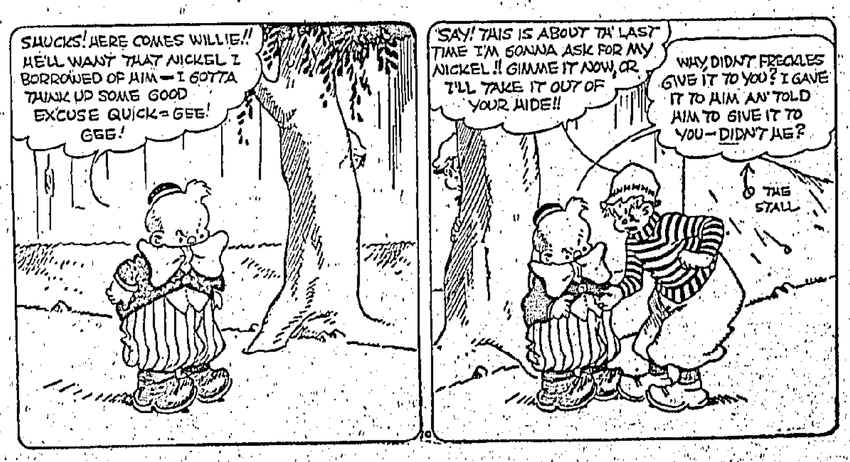

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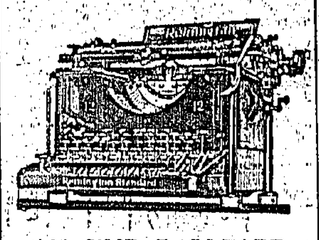

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TUESDAY, DEC. 21, 1926.

THE BALTIC PROBLEM.

Lithuania, where an army leader named General Smetona, has just effected a *coup* and been elected President, is one of the new countries of Europe created as a result of the re-shuffling which took place during and after the late European war. Its independence was proclaimed at Vilna in February 1918, since which time the little republic has been the home of much political unrest owing to the fact that it is composed of what were portions of other countries for many years and that its people are divided in their attachments to neighbouring countries. The Republic consists of the former Russian Government of Kovno and also portions of the old Vilna and Suvalki Governments, and is bounded by Latvia, the German district of Konigsberg, Poland and the Baltic Sea. It will be remembered that in 1923, the much-disputed Memel Territory was occupied by Lithuania and that after much negotiation a Convention was drawn up by the League of Nations. Germany renounced its sovereignty over the town and territory of Memel under the Versailles Treaty and the place was administered by a French High Commissioner in the name of the Allies until January, 1923. Then it was that the Lithuanians invaded the territory and occupied it. The storm created by that act threatened very serious consequences at the time, but moderate counsels eventually prevailed and the League of Nations was entrusted with drawing up a Convention which has since been signed and ratified. Lithuania is really one of those little buffer States that arose out of the great cry of "self-determination" at the end of the war—a cry that was based on quite good principles but which has left a legacy of small conflicting nations, which inevitably become the pawns of larger neighbouring States.

In the present case, we see the play of old antagonisms between Poland and Soviet Russia. Both Poland and Russia are accusing each other of interference in Lithuania and of helping opposing sides, and just how real has been that alleged interference can be guaged by the declaration of General Smetona, who has brought off the *coup*, that he has led the army against the Government because the latter was leading the country to ruination by playing into the hands of the Bolsheviks. There has undoubtedly been a lot of Soviet influence at work in Lithuania and it has become the happy hunting ground in the Baltic area for trouble makers. The problem of settling boundaries and nationalities along the southern coast of the Baltic has been one of the thorniest of all the post-war difficulties of Europe, and, unless there is a great deal of patience and tolerance shown, the Baltic may easily develop into a war-breeding area outrivalling the Balkans. The problem of Dantzig and the Polish corridor is not yet disposed of and might at any time create a difficulty of first-class importance. It seems almost ironical that at the very time when France and Germany should be composing their differences in the west of Europe, small nations to the east should be irritating each other. Despite the emphatic assertions that the Lithuanian change of Government has nothing but an internal significance, there will most certainly be outside repercussions. It is devoutly to be hoped that these will be marked by moderation and wise control.

Boycott Evils.

The manner in which the boycott weapon rebounds on others than those against whom it is directed was well shown in the facts and figures given by the writer who in our issue of yesterday recounted the results of his investigations in Southern Kwangtung. In regard to the position in Pakhoi, it was shown that, as is the case in Canton, although the boycott has been technically called off, it is still operated by certain labour extremists. That, of itself, is a most regrettable state of affairs and is hardly in keeping with the faith which we have been accustomed to repose in definite promises made by responsible authorities. But the chief point to be stressed is that the boycott is injuring the Chinese even more than it is the British. We are told, for example, that the trade of Pakhoi, an important feeder port for South China, has been practically ruined by the boycott, and the Customs returns amply bear out that statement. It is not that the Chinese business men wish to boycott British goods, for we are assured that they would welcome the opportunity to resume their old connections. It is simply a case of their being intimidated and of obstacles being placed in their way. Another aspect of our correspondent's disclosures is to be found in the propaganda which is going on to discredit all things British. The result is that even in the interior districts the people are being given the most distorted versions of various happenings, and as a consequence British prestige is suffering. All this can be attributed, as our correspondent points out, to the work of the agitators. The pity is that the lies that are spread broadcast are not countered by organised propaganda from our side.

EXCHANGE RATES.

Rugby, Dec. 20.

Paris	119 15/16
Brussels	34.88
Amsterdam	12.13
Berlin	20.38
Copenhagen	18.21
Vienna	34.40½
Helsingfors	192½
Lisbon	2.17/32
Buenos Aires	46.11/32
Shanghai	2/5¼
Yokohama	2/0⅛
New York	4.85⅛
Geneva	25.58½
Milan	100⅞
Stockholm	18.15
Oslo	19.27½
Prague	103¾
Madrid	31.84½
Rio	5⅞
Bombay	1/5.27/32
Hongkong	1/11⅛
Silver (spot)	24⅝
Silver (forward)	24.11/16

—British Wireless.

Yet another improvement in the mechanical reproduction of music is announced by the Brunswick Gramaphone Company. The new machine is known as the "Panacoustic," and those interested are invited to hear it at the Brunswick Agency in Ice House Street. The reproduction of music by this machine is certainly excellent, there being a clear and life-like representation of either the voice or instrument. The general appearance is good, great care having been taken to make every model an attractive piece of furniture.

DAY BY DAY.

TO PITY DISTRESS IS BUT HUMAN; TO RELIEVE IT IS GODLIKE.—*Horace Mann.*

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The Victoria British School is holding an open day and sale of work on Thursday at 10.30 a.m.

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The P. and O. s.s. Mantua, from Hongkong, arrived at London, on the 18th inst., at 8 a.m.

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There were 72 vessels in port this morning, eleven vessels arriving and seven departing in the course of the 24 hours ended at nine a.m. to-day.

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The master of a trading junk was fined $15 or two weeks at the Marine Court this morning for failing to exhibit regulation lights whilst under way.

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Amongst the passengers who left by the President Polk yesterday were Mr. and Mrs. Grossman, Mr. L. Dunbar and Mr. P. M. Hodgson.

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A small matshed in the Chinese cemetery on Mount Davis was destroyed by fire yesterday. The structure was set on fire through the burning of joss sticks.

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It is announced that Commodore J. L. Pearson, C.M.G., Mrs. Pearson and the Ward Room Officers of H.M.S. Tamar are giving a dance on Wednesday, January 26th.

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A Director of the Lee Wah Company, Des Voeux Central, has reported to the Police that one of his collectors is now missing. It is alleged that the man had collected $631.90 from the firm's customers.

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The forthcoming wedding is announced of Mr. George Leonhard, Friedrich Geifslinger, a missionary of Lilong, Kwangtung, at prsent residing at Jordan House, No. 229 Nathan Road, to Miss Anna Johanna Gackstatler, who is due to arrive in the colony by the M. S. Fulda.

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The theft of twenty tins of peanut oil off the deck of the Indo-China Steam Navigation Company's ship, the s.s. Cheongshing, has been reported to the police by the Compradore of the vessel. The tins were stolen sometime during Sunday night.

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Something in the way of a novelty in calendars has been issued by the Anderson Music Company. This is in the form of a handy blotter which contains an interesting cross-word puzzle, some of the letters in which have been filled in for advertising purposes.

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The following vessels are expected to be in wireless communication with Hongkong to-day:—President Polk, President Lincoln, President Jefferson, Empress of Canada, Vogtland, Angers, Szechuen, Haiching, General Metzinger, Sumatra Maru, Seattle Maru, Tango Maru and Talkwa Maru.

The Hongkong Electric Recreation Club held a staff dinner and smoking concert at the Volunteer Headquarters, on Saturday evening, a thoroughly enjoyable time being spent. Mr. C. E. Gahagan, Mr. T. Gully and Mr. D. S. Hill contributed to the entertainment which followed a pleasant repast, and Mr. Spary was at the piano.

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A fire broke out at a tea godown at West Point shortly after midnight on Saturday when two young Chinese were awakened from their sleep by smoke ascending from the kitchen on the ground floor. The Fire Brigade was despatched to the scene and the fire extinguished. The insurance of the building is stated to be $24,000 and the tea $21,000.

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Three of four Chinese who were arrested by detectives near Un Long on Saturday morning were charged before Mr. T. W. Ainsworth, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, with being in unlawful possession of two daggers, a packet of pepper, walnuts and a quantity of wire. The defendants were all remanded for one week.

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The British American Tobacco Company has issued a most effective and useful electro-plated cigarette box, sufficiently large to hold fifty "Capstan Magnum" cigarettes. On the lid is a representation in coloured enamel of a tin of "Capstans." The same Company is distributing a striking wall calendar advertising the well-known "Three Castles" cigarettes, bearing a fine coloured picture of two racing yachts rounding the mark.

TRAFFIC OFFENCES.

EUROPEAN PASSENGERS AND OVERLOADING.

"I think the passengers should have known better in this case," was Mr. W. Schofield's comment at the Central Magistracy this morning when he fined a Chinese motor car driver $4 for overloading. It was stated that there were ten European passengers in a seven seater car, some of them being drunk.

In another case a Chinese was fined $6 for carrying goods other than hand luggage and for not having proper control of the vehicle. His load consisted of three big trunks, some washing, a portmanteau and a basket of miscellaneous goods. In the driver's seat were two women and three or four ornaments. One of the women's legs was spread over the brake pedal, making it impossible for the driver to have proper control.

"You can't have proper control over a car when there is a boy sitting on your knee" was the magistrate's remark in another traffic case in which a Chinese was charged with overloading. There were seven people in a five seater car, and defendant said he had a boy on his knee. He later changed his story and said the boy was on a passenger's knee. The driver was fined $5.

SPEEDING.

A fine of $25 was imposed on another driver for speeding along Stubbs Road. Sergeant Mason said the man was driving a lorry fitted with solid tyres at 25 miles an hour, although the speed of the vehicle was limited to twelve miles. Defendant turned the corner at a dangerous speed, and his lorry did a certain amount of damage to the road.

In another case a driver was fined $10 for negligent driving. Sergeant Baker said the man turned into Queen's Road East from a side street and collided with his motor cycle combination.

NEW CARDINALS.

THE POPE'S SPEECH.

Rome, Dec. 20.

His Holiness the Pope, at a Secret Consistory created two new Cardinals, Monsignor Gamba and Monsignor Lauri, Archbishops of Turin and Hephaestus respectively, and he also preconised a number of Bishops.

The Pope, in an address, strongly denounced the persecution of catholics and the church in Mexico where, he declared, the Government was incarcerating and even killing pious ecclesiastics, and slaughtering unarmed faithful while praying at the Sanctuary of the Madonna. The Pope, after rejoicing at Signor Mussolini's recent escape, deplored the consequent attacks on catholics in Italy, and rejoiced that the Government had issued severe orders against violence.—*Reuter.*

U. S. NAVAL BILL.

TEN LIGHT CRUISERS WANTED.

Washington, Dec. 20.

A Bill has been introduced by Mr. Butler, Chairman of the Naval Affairs Committee, for the construction of ten cruisers at a cost of £3,000,000 each, and has been favourably reported to the House of Representatives.

Mr. Butler, in introducing the measure, described it as being in line with Pres. Coolidge's national defence programme. He declared that Britain and Japan and other countries were constructing large numbers of light-cruisers of 10,000 tons or under, which were permissible under the Washington Treaty—*Reuter's American Service.*

The Very Idea!

Invariably, as men banded together do wholesale thinking, turning out this wholesale thinking in the way of "resolutions"—at conventions and such—the brains of the individuals shrink and dwindle away.

So says Dr. Charles Gray Shaw, professor of philosophy at New York University. Whether the professor is right or wrong, whether we agree or disagree, a nice point would be the individual man's reaction to this supposed act. Would this individual man, whose brain possibly is growing skinnier and skinnier, rejoice in the increasing strength of mankind as a whole, or would he mourn the passing of his own individual greatness? The latter, of course. For without a personal premium placed on self, call it egotism, or call it what you will, individuals never could have succeeded to the point where as units they compose strong and powerful associations.

It is only pride in self that spurs the race on, and if this pride is to be annihilated, what lies ahead for any of us?

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He threw things at the cats
that howled
And filled the midnight air.
But now he cannot go to work.
He has no shoes to wear.

* * *

"Oh, Tom," faltered the blushing maid, as he slipped the sparkling diamond on her taper finger. "I ought not to accept as valuable a present as this from you!"

"Yes," said Tom, "I thought you would be likely to say something of the kind. Here is the receipted bill, showing that it is paid for."

By which means, dear young people, she likewise gratified her curosity as to the cost of the sparkling diamond, and thus killed two birds, as it were, with one stone.

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The Vitaphone will carry grand opera and symphony orchestras to every picture house in the country—but the day of "talking pictures" seems still remote.

The reason why talking pictures will not be made soon in Hollywood is that the actor folk and producers are bent against them. To make characters in the movies talk a la Vitaphone would necessitate a drastice change in the entire methods now used in picture production, the movie people say. Players would have to rehearse for weeks, months before any actual shooting could be done.

Besides, they would have to learn to speak lines (which would destroy many a blazing movie name pronto!)

But the Vitaphone has been launched, and a pretty piece of work it is. In the Hollywood Egyptian theatre the other night, it had its premiere, as a musical prologue to the feature picture.

Symphony, grand opera, that's fine, say the trembling folk in this hectic town, but talking movies? Ah, no, let's put that off!

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The bequest by Mr. Charles Miller, of Toronto, of a large sum "to the Toronto woman who within ten years has the largest number of children" is not only entirely against the spirit of the age, but it develops the spirit of competition in a most undesirable direction. As, moreover, the contingency of twins or triplets cannot be foreseen, the transaction may be said to partake of the nature of a lottery. Canada wants population, but she cannot want it so much as that.

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Gertie: "I dreamed about you last night."

Harold: "You did, you dear girl?"

"But I'm not blaming you. Something I ate didn't agree with me."

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Two decades ago, three men made an agreement, signed in blood, to meet at Nelson Column, Trafalgar Square, at a certain minute twenty years hence. For twenty years they neither met nor wrote to each other, but they met on the minute at the appointed place. All three went through the war unscathed. The men were R. S. Collingham, H. F. Gunnell Woods, and Thomas E. Robertson.

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It may be a myth about the buried treasure that is supposed to have been left in what is now Franklin County, Arkansas, by Spaniards more than a hundred years ago. But Dr. L. G. Hill spent $100,000, his life savings, in search for it, and now that he is dead, his two sons are carrying on the quest.

Under the guidance of an aged Spaniard, certain hieroglyphics and markers were found, but the old Spaniard died and the map he was following was never found. A mining company now is being organized for extensive excavations.

PRIZE DAY.

AT KOWLOON JUNIOR SCHOOL.

Children attending the Kowloon Junior British School attended with their parents the school at Gun Club Hill, Kowloon, this morning, when prizes were distributed to successful pupils, and the annual report was read. During the morning an entertaining programme was given by the various classes, and specimens of the children's work were laid out for inspection.

THE REPORT.

The report, which was read by the Headmistress, Miss M. Cooper, B.A., stated that the attendance had been well maintained throughout the year. In April 104 pupils were on the roll—the highest recorded attendance.

Mrs. Hewer left for New Zealand in January. In the same month Miss Bailey was married and they lost a valuable kindergarten mistress when she resigned in March, in order to return to England. Mrs. Hooper re-joined the staff in April and Mrs. Rundell was appointed in Mrs. Hewer's place.

On January 27th, His Excellency the Governor, accompanied by the Director of Education, visited the school and examined the work done by the school. Mr. Ralphs, Mr. de Martin, Mr. Wells and Mr. B. Wylie had also visited the school during the year and inspected the work of the various classes. Professor Forster took some interesting intelligence tests in Class 7.

In June 27 pupils entered for the Preparatory Examination of the Royal Drawing Society and one pupil, Joan Berry, for Division I. This pupil was awarded honours. Of those taking the Preparatory Section, 15 gained honours, 11 passed and there was only one failure.

Last year May Witchell, a pupil in Class 7, had the distinction of being awarded one of the two special prizes alloted to China by the Royal Drawing Society. Sixteen pupils qualified to pass up to the Central British School on the results of the examination held in December.

In October, Mrs. Minett, the School Medical Officer, examined all the children who had been adversely reported upon on her last visit, and found that they had all improved in health. She found also the general health of the pupils good.

Thanks were due to the Kowloon Dock for much help given, to Mr. Forsyth for the decorations and to Mr. Lindsay for the use of chairs. The members of the school staff had generously provided the prizes, and to them also their thanks were due.

Miss Cooper concluded by thanking the staff for the excellent work they had done during the year and for their co-operation in everything that concerned the interests of the school.

PRIZE LIST.

Mrs. R. M. Dyer distributed prizes to the following successful pupils:

Class 7.—Patricia Parker, (Scholarship and Form Prize); Peter Hancock, (French); Joan Laurenson, (Progress); Elsie Dove and Margaret Adams, (Handwork and Sewing).

Class 8.—Pamela Rundell, (Scholarship and Form Prize); Teddy Malm, (Progress); Joan Langley, (Composition); Marcia Matthews, (History and Geography); Alvena Laihovetsky, (Handwork).

Class 9.—Dickie Branch, Form Prize, (boys); Alice Black, Form Prize, (girls); Neville Howe, 1st last term, (boys); Nan Martin, 1st last term, (girls); Ian Kempton, Peter Green, Peggy Tobin, Joan Jennings and Nessie Gillespie, (Progress).

Class 10.—Margaret Young and Margery Lammert, (Progress and Handwork); Joyce Humphreys, Molly Chamberlain, Nancy Grady, Hilda Salmon, Mary Lyal, Barbara Reeves, Olivia Matthews, Billy Nash, Eliena Laihovetsky, Billy Dove, Jimmy Elvidge, Ian Donald, Douglas Geldart, Franklyn Keeley and Philip Egan (Progress).

Honours, division I.—Joan Berry.

ROYAL DRAWING SOCIETY.

Honours, preliminary.—Dorothy Tollan, Billy Parker, Edwin Long, Margaret Adam, Charlie Bryson, Jean Bryson, Margaret Dixon, Elsie Dove, Isa Lammert, Joan Laurenson, Phyllis Mooney, Patricia Parker, Dorothy Witchell, Pat Yuond and Alex. Macfarlane.

Pass Preliminary.—Pamela Rundell, Marcia Matthews, Joan Langley, Taylor Allen, Brenda Boryer, Peter Hancock, Betty Spaulding, Robert Stout, David Whyte, Joan Paradice and Betty Green.

THE ENTERTAINMENT.

The entertainment commenced with a Christmas carol by members of Class 7 and 8, and this was followed by an Irish jig, which was very daintily performed by the Misses Joan Berry and Dorothy Tollan. The kindergarten then sang and acted nursery rhymes, after which a playlet, entitled "The Dishonest Merchant," was given by members of Class 7. Those taking part were Dorothy Witchell, Patricia Parker, Elsie Dove, Joan Berry, Betty Green, and Jean Bryson. Another dance "Elfin Frolic," was prettily performed by the following:—Fairies, Joan Laurenson, Joan Berry, Phyllis Teale, Mary Dixon, N. Docherty and Dorothy Witchell; elves, Prosper Cummings, Billy Parker, Betty Green, Jean Bryson, Emily Rundell, and Isa Lammert. Other items were "The Christmas Bells," and "Lullaby" (Class 9), recitation, (Class 8,), "Poppies in the Wheat," "Sweet and Low" and French songs by Classes 7 and 8.

At the conclusion, Mr. E. Ralphs expressed thanks to Mrs. R. M. Dyer, and commented on the good work done by the school, remarking that they were getting better and better every year. After Mrs. Dyer had returned thanks, Miss Olivia Matthews presented her with a beautiful bouquet of flowers.

INDIAN'S EXTRADITION SOUGHT.

DIRECTOR OF INSURANCE COMPANY.

"NOT RUNNING AWAY."

An application for his extradition to India under the Fugitive Offenders' Act was made against a native of the Punjab, named Diwan Mangel Sen, at the Police Court this morning. The crimes alleged against him were forgery and criminal breach of trust.

During the course of the proceedings, it transpired that the man was formerly the Director of an Hindustan Insurance Company and it was in connection with the affairs of that Company that the charges were being made.

Defendant made a long statement to the Bench, in which he said that he was not a fugitive. He left his country in November, 1924, at which time there was no warrant out for him nor any charges against him. He had been a Director of the insurance company for over 19 years and during that time the shareholders had passed five resolutions of confidence in him. He had a serious difference of opinion with his fellow-directors and he resigned. He was so upset that he left the country. He did not run away, and was actually on his way back to Lahore at the time of his arrest. When Sergeant Elston arrested him he made no attempt at concealment of his identity.

His Worship pointed out that the facts of the alleged offences were not for his consideration, and defendant said he simply wished to make it clear that he was not a fugitive—he was not running away.

His Worship explained that the word "fugitive" in this case did not necessarily mean that defendant was running away. It means that he was outside the country where the alleged offence had been committed.

Sergeant Elston stated that the defendant came to Hongkong from Japan by the s.s. Palmas.

The case was adjourned until Thursday, applications by the defendant to be allowed books to read and also to be allowed walking exercise while he is kept in police custody, being referred to Sergeant Elston, who said that he would see that the man was fully looked after.

A convict, Victor Lester, who escaped from a working party at Parkhurst Prison and got into the open country, was still at liberty several days after. During Friday night he is believed to have broken into the refreshment room at Cowes railway station and carried away cigarettes, sandwiches, meat pies, and a bottle of cherry brandy. Lester (if it was he) left behind a knife.

MEXICAN OIL LAWS.

AN ENCOURAGING EXPLANATION.

Mexico City, Dec. 20.

Representatives of various foreign Oil Companies have begun informal discussions with the Secretary of Industry, Commerce and Labour, with a view to reaching an agreement with regard to the enforcement of the petroleum and land laws.

The Secretary previously made a statement that the Government had not applied the laws retroactively and did not intend to so, besides which the Mexican Courts would not sanction this.

Referring to nine important Companies which had applied for the necessary concessions confirming their rights, the Secretary of Industry said "these Companies know that our legislation does not only not attack their rights but is favourable to their interests."—*Reuter's American Service.*

RIVER CROSSED.

(Continued From Page 1.)

reported that a number of Southern troops in plain clothes, who had entered Hangchow, withdrew to Fuyang on the night of December 15/16.

SHANGHAI MAIN OBJECTIVE.

During the past twenty-four hours, says the *Shanghai Mercury* of Friday last, the situation in Chekiang had shown no remarkable change but, contrary to general expectations, it seems to have become rather quiet.

According to Chinese circles, direct telephone communication is said to have been restored on Thursday and even general telegraphic communication is now working almost normally. The Shanghai-Hangchow railway which had passenger service only up to Kashing on Thursday, was expected to extend its through traffic to Hangchow terminus during the day, should no sudden disturbance occur. The railway disturbance near Chienjaw on Wednesday is said to be due to the work of some soldiers under General Chow Feng-chi, who were remaining in Hangchow but were specially sent out to the vicinity of Chienchow to offer such obstruction.

One of the Shanghai Chinese newspapers reports that the main body of Marshal Sun Chuan-fang's army in Chekiang is now stationed at Kashing and Fenching, while his advance guard arrived at Hangchow on Thursday and is keeping the city in good order. It seems that the rumour that the Southern army had occupied Hangchow is utterly groundless.

Last Friday's *Sinwanpao* quotes, in one of its Peking telegrams, a passage from a leader published by the *Shun Tien Shihpao* to the effect that against the attack of the Southern army on Hangchow Marshal Sun is concentrating his forces along the Shanghai-Hangchow Railway line, but the real aim of the Southerners is not Hangchow, but Shanghai. It further states that Marshal Sun's influence will be completely lost if he fails in the defence of Shanghai. Therefore, it is expected that the Marshal will make a final endeavour to defend Shanghai against the Red army.

Budapest.—At Fonyod, near the Hungarian Lake Balaton, apple trees bloomed twice this year. The second crop of blossoms appeared on the trees before the first crop of fruit and ripened. The trees presented a novel and striking sight as the repening fruit peeped out through the fragrant blossoms.

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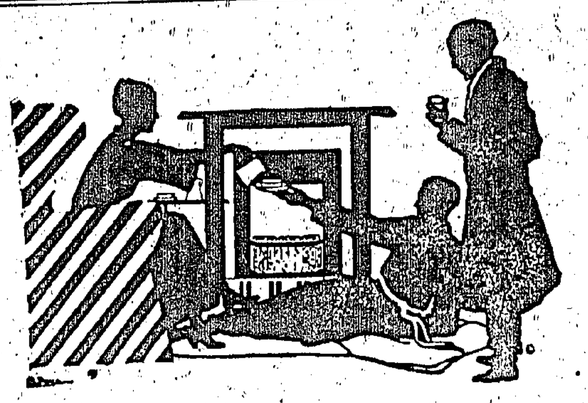

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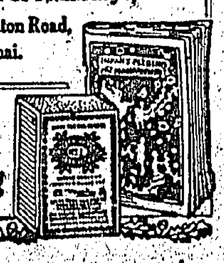

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BRITISH GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP.

"BOBBY" JONES NOT TO COMPETE.

It will be learned with considerable regret, says the London *Observer*, that Mr. "Bobby" Jones is unlikely to defend his title of British champion next year. It is really a matter of expense, and as Mr. Jones is not by any stretch of imagination a man of means, he feels that he cannot possibly afford to expend the sum of £300 or so to play in the championships. Besides, he is on the threshold of being admitted to the law, a profession that Mr. Jones's father follows in Atlanta City, consequently, golf must take a secondary place in the champion's scheme of things. Last year, Mr. "Bobby" Jones, along with each member of the American Walker Cup team, received an official donation of one thousand dollars to cover his expenses while in Britain for the international match.

Mr. Jones was induced to stay on for the Open championship, nearly a month later, and the additional expense incurred was borne out of his own pocket. The cost of winning the championship was a good deal more than the thousand dollars; in fact, it was double that amount. The winning of championships is not all honey, the financial burden attaching to a player in Mr. Jones's position being far heavier than most people imagine. Mr. Jones has only to raise his little finger and crowds of the "millionaire" folk would be only too ready to finance any trip that has for its object the glory of American golf. But Mr. Jones holds strong views on amateurism in golf, and he would scorn to accept a single farthing from any source that had not the backing of the United States Golf Association.

It would not be at all surprising if Mr. George Von Elm, the new American amateur champion, took Mr. Jones's place, and made a bid for both British championships —Amateur and Open. Mr. Von Elm, who tied with Hagen for third place in the British championship, was only four strokes behind Mr. Jones at the finish of one of the fiercest and most sensational struggles in the history of the game. Mr. Von Elm, a very enterprising young man and fired with ambition, now plays most of his golf at Los Angeles, where he is worshipped by the "movie" people.

SIR ANDREWS.

In view of the fact that the championship will be played at St. Andrews, it is interesting to know what Mr. Jones thinks of the classic link, more especially as Mr. Crane, a distinguished American authority, has such a poor opinion of the course. Mr. Jones says: "I have found that most of the American courses especially those inland, may be played correctly the same way round after round. The holes really are laid out scientifically; visibility is stressed; you can see what you have to do virtually all the time; and when once you learn how to do it, you can go right ahead, next day, and the next day, and the day after that. Not so at St. Andrews. The course is broad and open, and the rough is distant, and the fairways confront you in almost every direction. The greens are huge. And with all that, and with almost all the visible universe to shoot into, you may plume yourself on any round of 72 to 75 that falls to your fortune.

"From tee after tee you are offered about all the real estate you can cover for your drive. But you would better place that drive with some thought and exactness, or your second shot will be a terror. The 14th hole, for example (known as 'Hell')—I think it is, perhaps, the finest on the course—may be played four different ways, all correct and widely at variance, according to the wind. And the wind is a worthy foe. It is just as likely to oppose you all the way out, and turn as you turn, and battle you all the way back. Or it may follow you round the entire horsehoe. You must use something besides shots and clubs when playing at St. Andrews. I can learn more golf in a week on that course than in a year on many a sterling championship test in America." While Mr. Jones would not put as much as a spade into the hallowed ground, Mr. Crane would turn an army of men loose on the links with the one idea of bringing the place up-to-date.

PASSING OF "POLLY."

FAMOUS PARROT WHO TALKED TO NOTABILITIES.

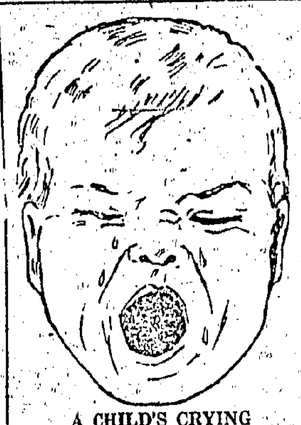
"Polly," the famous parrot, who for over 40 years held sway at the Cheshire Cheese, Fleet-street—where Dr. Johnson may have spoken of Goldsmith as "talking like poor Poll" has died.

A fluent talker, the bird had been introduced to most of the Ambassadors of the world, Prime Ministers of England, and to many other people of note.

She could imitate the drawing of a cork and the pouring of wine, and always had one answer to make when asked what she would have to drink—"Scotch."

"Polly's" successor is already in office. It is a parrot with almost the same colouring, and will be known as "Polly II."

The original "Polly" will be stuffed and hung in the dining-room.



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TO-NIGHT'S BOXING BOUTS.

FIRST-CLASS PROGRAMME SCHEDULED.

[BY "WANDERER."]

Nothing stirs the pulses more than a good boxing bout, and the programme for to-night's tournament at the City Hall contains the promise of a galaxy of keen scraps.

The middleweight championship fight between Stoker Howard and A. B. Ewin tops the bill, and the men are so diametrically opposed in style that it is difficult to forecast which of the two will be returned as conqueror. Both camps are very confident, but the boxing public has considerable doubt about Howard. One is forced to recognise Howard's record and yet he failed in his attempt to crush a man but three pounds heavier than himself on December 4th. He has shaken off a considerable amount of weight since that bout and we may expect him to give an account of himself more in keeping with his former successes.

EAGAN EAGER FOR FIGHT.

Eddie Eagan, the amateur heavyweight champion of the world, should experience little difficulty in disposing of Stoker Addison. It is said of Eagan, and one can easily believe it, that he goes to it from the sound of the gong and fights his man without a second's respite during each round's two minutes. Under those circumstances it appears probable that the contest will be one of shorter duration than the six rounds scheduled.

MCMANUS'S PROSPECTS.

Corpl. McManus will do his best to prove that the result of his previous contest with Marine Hills, the Hermes youngster, was all wrong. He will need to give a better display than he did in his two recent fights, but I gather there is no uneasiness in his mind about it.

Stoker Reynolds is always value for a really good scrap whether he is winning or losing, and he doesn't lose very often. He is opposed to Stoker Evans who fought so gallantly against Morrell earlier this month, and the fact that Evans will be more evenly weighted on this occasion may give him a chance of showing that judicious match-making is all that is required for him to give a proper account of himself.

Stoker Morrell will find L/S Gray a tough customer, while the last of the preliminaries is a bantamweight fight between A. C. Threadingham and Stoker Foxley, both comparatively unknown.

LAWN BOWLS.

KOWLOON DOCK FINAL.

The final of the Inter-Department Lawn Championship of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd., was played off on Sunday afternoon on the Kowloon Dock bowling green. The result was a win for the Drawing Office over the Carpenters by the narrow margin of four shots, after a close and exciting finish.

The Carpenters were unfortunate in not having the assistance of their worthy Superintendent, Mr. D. Steel, but nevertheless they played a fine game. The teams and scores were:

Carpenters		Drawing Office	
C. Atkinson		V. Ramsay	
E. Docherty		J. McIntosh	
W. Greig		J. McLaggan	
W. Henderson (skip)	10	W. Johnstone (skip)	23

LOCAL GOLF.

FANLING BOGEY POOL.

For the Fanling bogey pool, played 18th-20th instant, there were 25 cards taken out.

The pool was won by Mr. A. H. Ferguson, who, with a handicap of 2, returned a card all square. Mr. F. A. Redmond was 1 down.

SUBSCRIPTION GRIFFINS.

FORTY-FIVE DRAWN FOR YESTERDAY.

Forty-five subscription griffins which will run for the first time at the annual meeting of the Hongkong Jockey Club in the spring, arrived in the Colony and were drawn for at the Jockey Club Stables at Causeway Bay last evening.

A large number of owners and others interested in racing, including a fair sprinkling of ladies, were present to witness the draw, which was made by Mr. R. J. Paterson and Mrs. T. E. Pearce.

The ponies including five griffins, were quite a good lot on the whole and well up to the average. There were several outstanding ones in appearance, these being drawn by Mr. Topside, Mr. Ho Kom-tong, Sir Victor Sassoon, Mr. Dynasty, Mrs. Dyer, Mr. Reidy, Mr. H. A. Seth, Messrs. Lee and Stanton, and Messrs. Dyer and Beith.

The result of the draw was as under.

	Owner.	Pony.
1	Messrs. Dyer and Beith	Skw.
2	Mr. E. L. Hosie	Bay.
3	Lt.-Col. Coates	Roan.
4	Mr. H. Humphreys	Grey.
5	Mr. Reidy	Dun.
6	Mr. R. E. Ost.	Grey.
7	Messrs. Austin and Paterson	Nutmeg Gr.
8	Mr. H. P. White	Grey.
9	Wayfoong Mess	Sptd. Gr.
10	Sir Victor Sassoon	Cream.
11	Mr. G. W. Sewell	Skw.
12	Mr. Roda	Grey.
13	Sir Victor Sassoon	Ches.
14	Mr. L. Dunbar	Red Roan.
15	Mr. L. Dunbar	Bay.
16	Mr. C. B. Brown	Bay.
17	Mr. D. G. M. Bernard	White.
18.	Mrs. R. M. Dyer	Black.
19	Mr. W. E. L. Shenton	Dun.
20	Mr. R. M. Austin	Brown.
21	Mr. H. Humphreys	Grey.
22	Mrs. R. M. Austin	Dun.
23	Mrs. R. J. Paterson	White.
24.	Mr. Jonathon	Grey.
25	Mr. Topside	Ches.
26	Mr. Lighthouse	Grey.
27	Messrs. Dyer and Beith	Ches.
28	Messrs. Dyer and Beith	Ches.
29	Mr. Dynasty	Grey.
30	Mr. Ho Kom-tong	Grey.
31	Messrs. Lee and Stanton	Bay.
32	Messrs. Tester and Abraham	Grey.
33	Mr. Ho Kom-tong	Grey.
34	Mr. H. A. Seth	Black.
35	Mr. Dynasty	Brown.
36	Mr. Lighthouse	Sptd. Roan.
37	Mr. R. M. Austin	Grey.
38	Mr. W. T. Stanton	Dun.
39	Mrs. R. J. Paterson	Bay.
40	Mr. E. L. Sim	Grey.
41	K. O. S. B.	Black.
42	Mr. Topside	White.
43	Mr. E. C. Hall	Dun.
44	Mr. D. G. M. Bernard	Grey.
45	Mr. H. A. Seth Nutmeg	Grey.

GOLF.

GOVERNOR'S SHIELD COMPETITION RESULTS.

The second round of the Governor's Shield has now been completed, the following being the results:

R. A. M. C. beat Prison Dept. 5 up and 4 to play.

Bank Line beat Union Insurance 6 and 4.

H. K. and S. Bank beat Jardine Matheson and Co. 1 up.

Butterfield and Swire beat A. P. C. 7 and 6.

Shewan Tomes beat Dodwell and Co. 2 and 1.

Johnson, Stokes and Master beat Vacuum Oil Co. 3 and 2.

B. A. T. beat University 3 and 1.

P. W. D. beat Holyoak Massey 2 and 1.

The B. A. T. beat the P. W. D. 1 up in the third round and have now qualified for the semi-final.

HOCKEY.

HONGKONG H. C. v. NAVY.

The following will represent the Hongkong Hockey Club 1st XI against Royal Navy on Wednesday at 4.30 p.m. on the U. S. R. C. ground in a Sim Shield match.—S. H. Garrod, J. Rodger, D. Lyon, A. A. Dand, E. J. R. Mitchell (Capt.), E. L. Sim, G. B. Slipper, L. M. S. Lloyd, F. G. L. Wheeler, G. R. Vallack, G. P. Lammert.

The monsoon, fresh to strong, may be expected to continue, says to-day's report of the Royal Observatory. The local forecast up till noon to-morrow is:—North to north-east winds, fresh; fine to cloudy.

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YACHTING.

LADIES RACE YESTERDAY.

The ladies sailed their fifth championship race at the R.H.K.Y.C. yesterday afternoon. The course was from the Club to Lyemun Beacon, to Channel Rocks, Cust Rock Buoy and then back to the Club, a distance of six miles. The wind was about force two and from the E.N.E. and gave some very good sailing. Eighteen boats started, six being out in the Handicap class.

La Linda had bad luck. She was over line at the start and the recall cost her nearly three minutes. Daphne was also recalled and later on she fouled Ailsa at Cust Rock buoy and went out of the race.

The results were as follows,

Handicap Class.

	Finishing Time	Corrected Time
Diana 3rd	4 07 58	4 06 58
Colleen 2nd	4 11 16	4 06 16
Dorothea 1st	4 12 11	4 06 11
Argulla	4 13 47	4 07 17
Falcon	4 13 54	4 08 24
La Linda	4 14 10	4 10 10
Boojum 1st	4 23 09	4 20 39
Ailsa 3rd	4 23 22	4 23 22
Daphne	4 23 53	4 23 53
Gael 2nd	4 25 16	4 21 46
Bluenose	4 26 04	4 23 34
Adele	4 26 16	4 23 46
Why Wonder	4 26 29	4 23 59
Pierrette	4 29 00	4 25 00
Zephyr	4 29 09	4 25 39
Thecla	4 29 44	4 23 44
Joan	4 38 07	4 34 37
Sealark	4 37 43	4 35 13

THE DAVIS CUP.

GREECE FILES HER FIRST CHALLENGE.

New York, Dec. 20.

Greece has filed a Davis Cup Challenge for 1927. This is the first time she is competing. She has elected to play in the European zone.—*Reuter.*

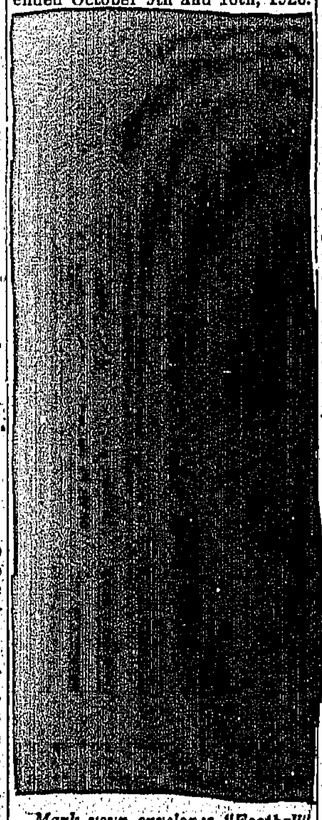
Mr. Joseph William Bhore, Secretary of the Department of Education, Health and Lands of the Government of India, will act as Member for the Department during the absence of his chief, Sir Mohamed Habibullah, who has left for South Africa to attend the conference on the position of Indians in the Union.

$25 GIVEN AWAY.

"TELEGRAPH" FOOTBALL COMPETITION.

The *Hongkong Telegraph* offers a prize of $25 to the reader who sends in the greatest number of correct forecasts (provided that number is eight or more) of the English and Scottish Football League matches (to be played on Saturday next, December 25th) set out in the coupon below. No goal scores are required; only forecasts showing wins or draws. All entries must reach this office not later than noon on Friday, December 24th.

The competition is run in accordance with the rules published in the *Telegraph* during the weeks ended October 9th and 16th, 1926.



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Reserve Funds:—
Sterling £4,500,000
Silver $27,000,000
Reserve Liability of Proprietors ... $20,000,000

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KOBE	YOKOHAMA
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Hongkong, 27th May, 1926.

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Paid-up Capital Guilders ..... 50,000,000 ($ 6,666,670)
Reserve Fund Guilders ..... $1,117,340 ($ 1,759,773)
Special Reserves Guilders ..... $2,650,000 ($ 1,888,880)

HEAD OFFICE:—AMSTERDAM.
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HEAD OFFICE: HONGKONG.

10, Des Voeux Road, Central, Hongkong.

Authorised Capital $10,000,000
Paid-up Capital ..... $ 5,000,000
Reserve Fund (1926) ....., $ 1,200,000

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Hongkong, 22nd May, 1926.

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Interest allowed on Current Accounts.

Deposits received for fixed periods at rates to be obtained on application.

H. MORI, Manager.

Hongkong, December 17th, 1926.

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Reserve Fund £1,000,000
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Foreign Exchange and General Banking business transacted.

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A. H. FERGUSON, Manager.

Hongkong, 1st August, 1926.

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HEAD OFFICE:
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Capital ..... Frs. 20,000,000
Reserves ..... Frs. 11,100,000
Special Working Capital ..... Frs. 50,000,000

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Reserve Funds ..... $ 9,625,213.54

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TSU TEH FEI, Manager.

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HEAD OFFICE:
96, Boulevard Haussmann, Paris.

Subscribed Capital ..... Frs. 75,000,000.00
Paid Capital ..... Frs. 50,000,000.00
Reserves Fund ..... Frs. 30,667,223.54

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"SARPEDON"	9th Feb.	Marseilles, London, R'dam & Glasgow

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"DOLIUS"	20th Jan.	Genoa, Havre, Liverpool & Glasgow
"DEUCALION"	20th Feb.	Genoa, Havre, Liverpool & Glasgow
"MEDON"	20th Mar.	Genoa, Havre & Liverpool
"PHILOCTETES"	23rd Mar.	Havre, Liverpool & Glasgow

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"PHILOCTETES"	31st Dec.	Victoria, Vancouver & Seattle.
"TYNDAREUS"	29th Jan.	Victoria, Vancouver & Seattle

NEW YORK SERVICE

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"CYCLOPS"	28th Jan.	New York, Boston & Baltimore

PASSENGER SERVICE

"AENEAS"	11th Jan.	Singapore, Marseilles & London
"SARPEDON"	9th Feb.	Singapore, Marseilles & London
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FOR MANILA

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Tjisaroea	Java	26th Dec.	30th Dec.	Shanghai
Tjikarang	Shanghai	27th Dec.	30th Dec.	Batavia
Tjikandi	Japan	4th Jan.	5th Jan.	Batavia
Tjitaroem	Java	4th Jan.	6th Jan.	Amoy, N. China
Tjimanock	N. China	6th Jan.	7th Jan.	Batavia
Tjisondari	Java	9th Jan.	13th Jan.	Shanghai
Tjisaroea	Shanghai	10th Jan.	13th Jan.	Batavia
Tjisalak	N. China	19th Jan.	21st Jan.	M'ksar & Java

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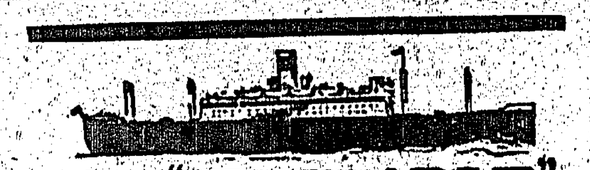

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EMPRESS OF CANADA	Jan. 26	Jan. 29	Feb. 1	Feb. 4	Feb. 13
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	Feb. 16	Feb. 19	Feb. 22	Feb. 25	Mar. 6
EMPRESS OF ASIA	Mar. 9	Mar. 12	Mar. 15	Mar. 18	Mar. 27
EMPRESS OF CANADA	Mar. 30	Apr. 2	Apr. 5	Apr. 8	Apr. 17
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	Apr. 20	Apr. 23	Apr. 26	Apr. 29	May 8
EMPRESS OF ASIA	May 11	May 14	May 17	May 20	May 29
EMPRESS OF CANADA	June 1	June 4	June 7	June 10	Jun. 19
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	June 22	June 25	June 28	July 1	July 10
EMPRESS OF ASIA	July 11	July 14	July 19	July 22	July 31

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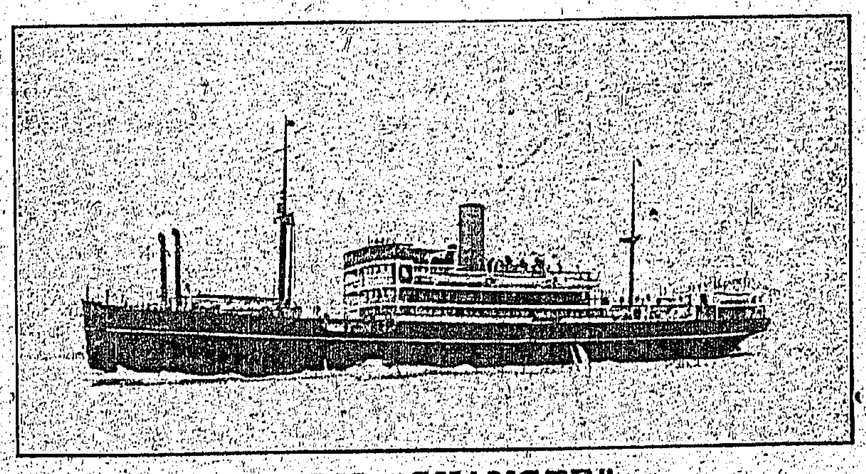

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KHIVA	9,135	25 Dec. noon.	M'les L'don A'werp & Hull
MIRZAPORE	6,718	29th Dec.	M'les L'don H'burg & Rotterdam
NYANZA	7,023	5th Jan.	S'pore P'ang C'bo & B'bay
MALWA	10,941	8th Jan.	Marseilles & London
KALYAN	9,144	22nd Jan.	M'les, L'don A'werp & Hull
DEVANHA	8,155	28th Jan.	S'pore, P'ang C'bo & B'bay
MOREA	10,918	5th Feb.	Marseilles & London
DELTA	8,097	18th Feb.	S'pore P'ang C'bo & B'bay
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*ST. ALBANS	4,500	31st Dec.	Manila, Sandakan, Thurs. Island, Townsville, B'bane. Sydney and Melbourne.
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ARAFURA	6,000	4th Jan.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yoko
MOREA	10,918	7th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
DEVANHA	8,155	7th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
TILAWA	10,000	12th Jan.	Shanghai & Kobe
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S.S. GEMMA	24th January 1927.
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Thursday 23rd Dec. } at 2 a.m. and from Canton at 3 p.m. same day.
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AMAZONE			4th Jan. 1927.
ANGERS		22nd Dec.	18th Jan. 1927.
D'ARTAGNAN		5th Jan. 1927.	1st Feb. 1927.
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GLENOGLE	20th January.	GLENSHIEL	26th January
GLENAMOY	6th February.	L'don, R'dam & H'burg via Oran.	
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TIENTSIN	Cheongshing	Wed. 22nd Dec at	noon.
CANTON	Kwaisang	Thurs. 23rd Dec at	7 a.m.
BANGKOK via Singapore	Chaksang	Thurs. 23rd Dec at	noon.
SANDAKAN	Mausang	Fri. 24th Dec at	2 p.m.
TSINGTAU via Shanghai	Kwaishing	Satur. 25th Dec at	7 a.m.
OSAKA Amoy Moji & Kobe	Namsang	Sun. 26th Dec at	7 a.m.
STRAITS & Calcutta	Laisang	Tues. 28th Dec at	3 p.m.
TSINGTAU Swatow & S'hai	Yatshing	Wed. 29th Dec at	7 a.m.
TIENTSIN	Chipshing	Satur. 1st Jan at	7 a.m.
HAIPHONG via Hoihow	Mingsang	Satur. 1st Jan at	9 a.m.
STRAITS & Calcutta	Hosang	Mon. 3rd Jan at	3 p.m.
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Hongkong, Dec. 16th, 1926.

CONSIGNEE NOTICES.

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Goods not cleared by the 27th December, 1926, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged packages are to be left in the godowns, where they will be examined on the 24th December, 1926, at 10 a.m. by Messrs. Goddard and Douglas.

Claims against the steamer must be presented in writing within ten days after arrival of steamer, otherwise they will not be recognized.

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Hongkong, December 20, 1926.

HONGKONG TRADE

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE REPORT.

In its fortnightly Prices Current report the Chamber of Commerce states:

Cotton piece goods and Fancy Cotton Goods.—Market is not as active as when we last reported although small sales of Spring Fancies and Brocades for March/April shipment have been brought to book. Deliveries are very poor due in the majority of cases to the summerlike weather prevailing. There is another decline to record in the price of Cotton, especially Egyptian which have had a sharp drop. Quotations in Liverpool on the 15th instant Eg. Sakel. 13.40d. Mid. Amer. "Spot" 6.60d.

Cotton Yarn.—A small amount of business has been done for the Yunnan market at prices which show little change on those last reported.

Quotations are purely nominal:
No. 10s. $130/160. No. 12s. $145/165.
No. 16s. $160/170. No. 20s. $175/180.

Arrivals 500 bales. Shipments Nil. Sales Nil.

Unsold stock 13,800 bales. Bargains 12,500 bales.

Woollens.—Market dead.

Raw Cottons.—Nothing doing.

Metals.—Market dull, very little doing.

Flour Market Report.—Stocks, about 500,000, sacks; Market has a declining tendency.

Window Glass.—Local stocks very low.

Sugar.—Market firm and advancing.

Saltpetre.—Market rules fairly steady since last report.

PETROL PRICES.

A BENEFIT WITH A CATCH IN IT.

London, Dec. 20.

The chief brands of motor spirit from the pump have been reduced a half penny a gallon everywhere, likewise from the can in the London metropolitan area, but can prices in outer London have increased a half penny a gallon.—*Reuter.*

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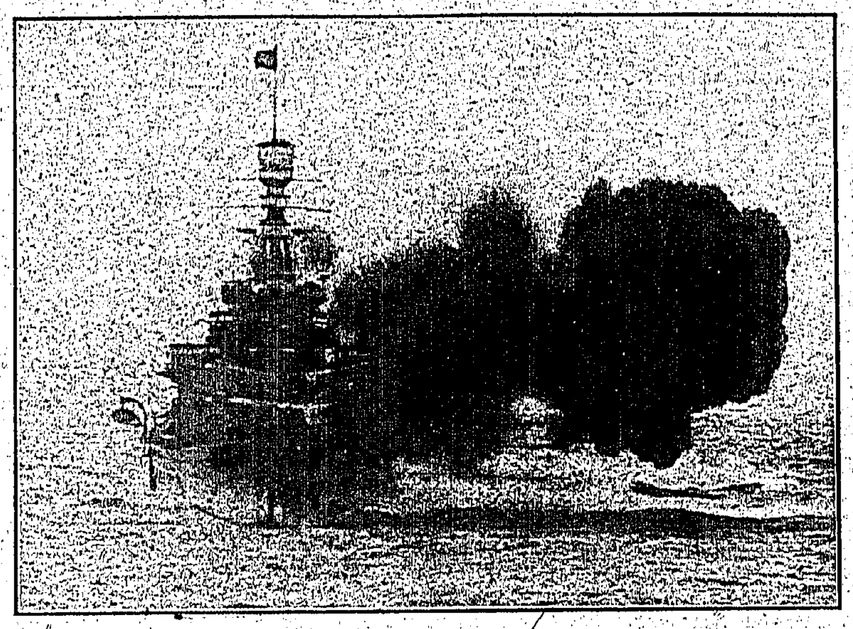

Photograph shows H.M.S. Repulse firing a salvo during the naval demonstrations given before the Empire Premiers off Portland.

NEWS FROM HAWAII.

CHINESE ENTERS POLITICS.

Honolulu, Nov. 20th.—The first American citizen of Chinese ancestry will take his place as a territorial legislator when the law-making body assembles soon after the first of the year. Yew Char, born and educated in Honolulu who began life as a bootblack on the streets, and by profession a photographer, was successful at his first try in politics.

"I desired to carry out in some greater and more responsible manner, my duty as an American citizen," is the way Char comments upon his success, adding that he is proud to be a citizen of the United States.

Char's race for the Legislature was not made along racial lines, nor did he have the solid support of voters of his own ancestry. His strength is attributed to the faith which voters of all nationalities in Honolulu place in him.

Typical of the territory, the 1927 Legislature will be made up of members of all nationalities, with law-makers of Hawaiian and Anglo-Saxon lineage predominating.

NEW HOTEL.

Hawaii's growing number of new hotels and resorts will have a notable addition when construction work commences on a new hotel at Kaumana, locale of the new golf course recently established by the Hilo Country Club, making a dozen golf courses in Hawaii.

So popular is the game of golf with the travelling public and so popular is the island of Hawaii becoming as a vacation place for residents of the territory and mainland visitors, that Mr. George Lycurgus, pioneer hotel man of the islands, has announced that he will build a resort at Kaumana as soon as a site is chosen.

According to Mr. Lycurgus, the structure will be of a rustic style, similar to the Volcano House in Hawaii National Park, at one time owned by him.

NEW AIR LINE.

Much interest has been aroused in Hawaii over recent word from Washington that a dirigible air line operating on a 36-hour schedule between Hawaii and California may be a reality in 1928.

Receipt of the news from the national capital closely followed the return of A. W. Van Valkenburg, an officer of the Hawaiian chapter of the National Aeronautical Association, from mainland United States.

Van Valkenburg visited various centres of the airplane industry and obtained information relative to a possible inter-island airplane service for the territory, a project which the local chapter has been interested in for years.

According to the Washington dispatch, naval aeronautical engineers are working out plans for the employment of two projected air cruisors of 6,000,000 cubic feet gas capacity, construction of which was authorized by the last session of Congress. The two dirigibles will be two and a half times the size of the Los Angles, and will be capable of carrying 30 tons of passengers and freight in addition to the fuel and crew. The use of these two machines on a commercial route between Hawaii and California seems to be a foregone conclusion.

"The proposed California-Honolulu schedule will not be maintained permanently by the government, it is believed," says the dispatch, adding that preliminary flights will be made as soon as the dirigibles are tested and "if this is found to be practicable, the way will be open for turning over the route to private capital."

Airplane landing fields are at present kept upon all the islands of the Hawaiian group and are used continually by the army and navy machines.

"BARE-FOOT" FOOTBALL.

"Bare-foot" football, a species of the sport which has its habitat in Hawaii, and which causes more or less skepticism in the minds of mainland football fans, is now ending a successful season in the islands.

The bare-foot teams are composed of youths having no affiliation with high school or college teams, but who are organised into leagues sponsored in many cases by newspapers and business houses. In other words, a successful effort has been made to divert the energy into competitive sport which might otherwise be spent in pool-rooms and other loitering places.

The game gets its name from the fact that the players, unable to afford the costly football equipment, play in their bare feet and a rude uniform of overalls and brightly coloured jerseys. However, this does not detract from the quality of the game, as the contests are run off with more punch and vigour than many of the scholastic games. This is the reason for its popularity in Hawaii. Lack of shoes in no way interferes with the kicking, proved by the fact that in a recent game the punting averaged 50 yards. In the same game, a bare toe sent the ball at kick-off sailing over the goal post 50 yards away. In several of the contests, the deciding score has been by drop kicking for 20 yards or more. One game in particular was characterised by the completion of a 53-yard pass.

Although the centre of bare-foot football has been Honolulu, where each district of the city has a team representing it, an inter-island schedule was run off, besides the regular schedule of island high schools.

Honolulu has recently opened a new stadium, partially completed, which accommodates 12,000 people. This shows the great interest the territory has in the game. Despite the championship teams turned out by the University of Hawaii in late years, when a fair measure of several strong mainland teams has been taken, lovers of the sport thank bare-foot football for contributing much of the interest.

Quebec.—It is understood that contruction will take place in the very near future of a huge metallurgical plant in the Lake St. John district. This project was conceived by the late James B. Duke, but was temporarily abandoned after his death. As practically the complete electric power output of the Lake St. John district is now employed in other industries, it is believed that the realization of the new project will be witnessed immediately after the harnessing of the hydraulic wealth of the Chute a Caron. The proposed plant would be used as a zinc smelter and as a general metal refining establishment.

BORODIN TALKS.

(Continued From Page 1.)

Workmen! Go on organizing your forces into strong unions, and submit your grievances, your demands to the arbitration committee, and the Nationalist Government will see that justice is done.

These, comrades, are the two first great problems before the Nationalist Government:—

1.—Put finances on a sound basis.

2.—Improve the economic conditions of the people.

Now, comrades, if you support the Nationalist Government, then we will go ahead and solve the foreign relations problem, that is, to make China independent of foreign imperialism. Are you going to support us? (Loud cheers).

No nation has ever started on the highway of progress and prosperity, no nation has ever become great until freed from foreign imperialism and oppression. So it was with all countries. There is no way for China to free herself except by first abolishing the Unequal Treaties.

"CHARTER OF SLAVERY."

But, comrades, the Unequal Treaties, this charter of slavery have come down from a corrupt, degraded and prostituted dynasty. We have inherited this charter of slavery. And how, comrades, are we going to destroy it? Have you thought of that?

This charter of slavery is responsible for one-half of the poverty of China; for one-half of the poverty of the merchants (ninety-nine per cent. of the merchants are poor) for the poverty of the workers who are all poor; for the poverty of our finance. How, comrades, are we going to abolish this charter of slavery?

On the question of the abolition of the charter of slavery there are no classes, no groups. There is a nation. On the question of abolishing this charter of slavery, comrades, we must unite and secure independence as soon as possible, even as it was bequeathed to us by our leader Dr. Sun Yat-sen.

THE LAND PROBLEM.

Another great problem on which the workers, merchants and bankers can unite is the land question. If we have poor farmers industry is poor, if the industry is poor the workers are poor, if the workers are poor, all are poor. Our farmers constitute three hundred million people, and if these three hundred millions have hardly enough to eat how can you merchants expect any buying power of them? Three hundred million people! This is the buying power of the nation. Make these three hundred million the foundation of industry, commerce and labour, and then we will all be happy.

Therefore, comrades, labour, trade, industry and finance are vitally interested in making the Nationalist Government solve the land question, in order to establish these three hundred million as the basis of trade, industry and finance. Do you support the Nationalist Government on this point or do you not?

ONE WAY.

Now, again, I am asking you, how are we going to secure the abolition of the charter of foreign slavery? There is only one way. To unite behind the National Government. We must not allow ourselves to be fooled by the sweet words of the imperialists. But leave it to the Nationalist Government. They won't be fooled. They were not fooled in Canton, and they won't be fooled in Wuhan. They will go about their business in the best way, and you revolutionary people will be on hand to see that the Nationalist Government does the right thing.

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A very much overdressed lady of uncertain years was pushing her way through a crowded stand, her face made up in truly wonderful style. Due to the heat of Olympia and her exertions some of the paint was beginning to run down her face. A little North Countryman looked with awe and, clutching his pal, exclaimed in a stage whisper, "E, lad, I wonder who her coachwork's by?"